



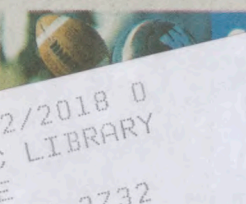
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Happy Holidays at the Harnden!

The Harnden Tavern presents the annual Holiday Social on Sunday, Dec. 2, 2018 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Bring the entire family to an old fashioned holiday celebration! Enjoy... holiday decorations, children's holiday craft room, seasonal music, refreshments and more! Wreathes & swags for sale! All at Wilmington's eighteenth century house museum — The Col. Joshua Harnden Tavern, 430 Salem St, Wilmington 978-658-5475. Suggested donation: \$5 per person or \$15 family. Pictured here from left are Lisa Stira, Pat Sullivan, Jean Tortorella, and Diane Breslin decorating the Town Museum at the Harnden Tavern in preparation for the annual Holiday Social on Sunday, Dec. 2.

Tax rates decrease but bills climb

By LIZZIE MCDERMOTT
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — The Board of Selectmen has once again voted to approve a 175-percent shift from the residential class tax levy to the commercial/industrial and personal class. This is the maximum allowable shift as dictated by state law, and the board has voted to approve it every year for well over a decade.

The shift represents a minimum residential factor .777881 for fiscal year 2019.

According to Principal Assessor Karen Rassias, the average tax bill increase this year for residential property owners is \$290.74. Commercial property owners will see an increase by \$2176.71. This sizeable increase in dollar value comes despite the fact that the actual tax rate has decreased, due to an even greater increase in residential property values.

The average single family residential property last

year was valued at \$439,673, while this year the average residential single family value is \$481,922.

Selectman Michael McCoy said he supported the tax shift, and inquired whether there was potentially a way to further relieve senior residents of their tax burden.

Rassias responded that there are a number of exemptions, in addition to tax work-off programs, for senior residents in town. She added that there are also specific exemptions for veterans and for the blind.

"We do have about 255 exemptions that are granted every year," Rassias noted.

Selectman Jonathan Eaton added that exemption and work-off programs have the potential to strengthen the bond between citizens and their local government.

"Dovetailing off of Mr. McCoy's point, I would be interested to see an adjustment in some of the thresholds for some of those exemptions to be available to the demographics that you had referenced," Eaton said.

In response to McCoy's and Eaton's comments, Rassias also noted that there is a circuit breaker refund available to senior citizens that simply requires the submission of paperwork. She said that relevant information

Ahern Foundation 15th annual Army-Navy Luncheon

By Lizzy Hill
News Correspondent

WOBURN — The Ahern Family Charitable Foundation is preparing for their 15th annual Army-Navy Football Luncheon at the Scoreboard Sports Bar & Grill in Woburn. The luncheon on Dec. 8 will cost \$30 per person for a buffet lunch where attendees can enjoy the football game, a silent auction, and raffles alongside friends and veterans alike. Proceeds from the event will support the Operation Santa-Massachusetts program that the Ahern charity co-sponsors with the Military Friends Foundation.

The Ahern's charitable foundation started from a single event that the family put together for the New England Center for Homeless Veterans, inspired by Tom Lyons and the plight of homeless veterans in 2001. Today, they're committed to helping the families of fallen or deployed troops in Massachusetts through multiple fundrais-

ing events and government grants every year.

Wilmington residents Stephen and Elisabeth Ahern join AFCF President Bob Ahern in putting together this luncheon on behalf of Operation Santa, a program that sends a \$50 holiday gift card to more than 100 children of Massachusetts's soldiers who have been or are currently deployed.

Bob Ahern shares that this is a worthy cause in the season of giving for people to get involved with.

"These kids really do sacrifice," he shared. "Some of them have lost a parent. Even a year-long deployment can be traumatic."

Operation Santa lets them go out and get whatever they need, whether it be clothes or toys or anything else. The aim of the program is to let these kids and their families know that they have support from the community.

Besides a great cause, the event boasts a great

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▲ Romaine alternatives

(Paige Impink photo)

FDA issues romaine lettuce warning

By PAIGE IMPINK
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A warning issued by the Food and Drug Administration just before Thanksgiving urged consumers to throw out romaine lettuce due to an outbreak of E.coli. A multistate outbreak which also extended into Canada seems to point to a source in the Central Coast growing regions of central and northern California, according to the bulletin.

The FDA reports 43 cases and 16 hospitalizations link-

ed to the outbreak. Two cases in Massachusetts and two in New Hampshire are linked to the outbreak. The original recommendation was for all romaine products, including chopped salad mixes, to be discarded regardless of origin out of an abundance of caution.

Since that time, the FDA has used traceback methods such as following shipping invoices and speaking with those sickened to determine that romaine from other origins, such as Yuma, Arizona, Florida and

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Wilmington Library Notes

by Christina Stewart

Holiday Wreaths and Gingerbread Houses

Upcoming Events

Registration begins 30 days prior to the event. Please register online using our Calendar of Events at www.wilmlibrary.org or by calling (978) 694-2099 (for Adult) or (978) 694-2098 (for Youth). Please note we request registration for programs that are marked *RR. Adult programs are recommended for those 16 years of age and older.

Fiction Critique Group *RR

Saturday, December 1, 9:15 am
Love writing fiction? Whether you are drafting a short story or a novel, joining our Critique Group is a great opportunity to meet other writers and get constructive feedback in a supportive environment. When registering, please provide your email address so you can receive an agenda and any prep materials before the meeting. Open to all experience levels writing in all genres.

Led by local writing enthusiast, Barbara Alevras.

Labor Market Research *RR

Monday, December 3, 10 am
What's the outlook of your job search? We'll find out by investigating the seven points of the MA Unemployment Labor Market Research Worksheet. Learn to research target industries, organizations and positions, review salary ranges and industry trends, and master self-assessment and the informational interview. For this workshop, please come prepared with at least one target industry and/or a target job title that you are considering on your job search. Taught by MassHire staff.

Getting into Genealogy — An Introduction *RR

Monday, December 3, 2:30 pm
In this 90 minute presentation, Diane Brooks-Sherry Merrimack Valley Chapter President of the Massachu-

setts Society of Genealogists, Inc. will talk about family history and genealogy, genealogy basics, common genealogy tools, tips for staying organized, and research recommendations.

Cookin' the Books *RR

Tuesday, December 4, 12 pm
Featured Cookbook: New England Soup Factory Cookbook by Marjorie Druker
If you love to cook and enjoy talking about food and sharing recipes then this group is for you. Pick up a copy of the cookbook (or find a recipe from the book online); register and record your recipe selection on the events calendar at wilmlibrary.org. Bring your dish to the meeting and enjoy sampling everyone's dishes!

Winter Wreath Workshop *RR (cost \$20)

Wednesday, December 5, 2 pm
New season, new wreath! Crafter Dianna DiGregorio will help you create a beauti-

ful winter wreath to decorate your door. Supplies provided. Register at main desk.

Intro to Blogging with WordPress *RR

Wednesday, December 5, 7 pm
Interested in learning more about blogging in general and WordPress in particular? Or do you already have an idea you want to see come to life? Join technology librarian, Brad McKenna, to see how easily that can be done with WordPress.

Gingerbread Houses *RR

Thursday, December 6, 6:30 pm (cost \$10) (limit 20)
Take a trip down memory lane and indulge your sweet tooth as you design and build your very own gingerbread abode. Enjoy the endless decorating options, from frosted candy shingles, to gummy windowpanes and pretzel picket fences; you will love turning your Gingerbread House into an edible work-of-art. With holiday tunes playing and hot cocoa flowing, spread the holiday spirit and invite friends to join you for this special event. Register at main desk

Kids & Teen Events

Wilmington Community Playgroup

Monday, December 3, 9:30 am
At this drop-in playgroup we will begin with a story

and then play together! Led by the CTI Family Resource Network. Ages 1-5

The Nutcracker Reading and Performance

Monday, December 3, 6:30 pm
Ballerinas from the North Atlantic Dance Theater will read and perform a variation of The Nutcracker. Afterwards, children will be invited to participate and learn some simple ballet positions. Ages 4+

World Languages Foreign Film Night *RR

Tuesday, December 4, 6:30 pm
Watch a Spanish film with English subtitles.

Kids' Council

Wednesday, December 5, 3:45 pm
The library needs you... to tell us what programs you want! Join us for a brainstorming session to come up with spring and summer activities for kids in grades 4-8. Grades 4-8

LEGO Building

Thursday, December 6, 3:45 pm
Build a unique LEGO creation. Kindergarten+

Drop-In Storytime

Friday, December 7, 10 am
Drop in for stories, songs, rhymes and a fun craft! Space is limited. Tickets will be distributed on a first

come, first-served basis. Ages 2-5 and one or more adults

Drop-In Baby Times

Saturday, December 8, 9:30 am
Babies and their caregivers will enjoy this fun storytime that includes rhymes, songs, books, scarves, shakers, bubbles and more. Infants through 24 months.

Library News

Reading Light Calendars
Reading Light Calendars with historic photos are now available at the library. RMLD encourages a donation of a nonperishable food item for the Wilmington Food Pantry when picking up a calendar.

Book Store Next Door Holiday Open House

The Friends of the Library invite you to the Holiday Open House at the Book Store Next Door on Saturday, December 1 from 4pm to 7 pm. Enjoy warm cider and cookies while you shop for holiday gifts. Gift certificates make great stocking stuffers and gifts for teachers!

Amazon Smile

If you are doing any online shopping on Amazon, please consider selecting the Friends of the Wilmington Memorial Library as your charitable organization. A portion of your eligible purchase will be donated to the Friends.

Mariachi performers come to Pancho's

By LIZZIE MCDERMOTT
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — Wilmington residents may soon have the opportunity to listen to a live mariachi band right here in town.

At a meeting on Nov. 27, the Board of Selectmen unanimously voted to approve a request by Pancho's Cantina to host mariachi performers on its slower business days, contingent upon approval by the build-

ing inspector.

Restaurant owner and liquor license manager Fonzi Chavez explained that there are a few potential groups, and that any chosen would walk around the restaurant and play their instruments and sing. The acts would range from one performer to a group of three to four.

"It's something unique, something different, and I do support it," said Selectman Michael McCoy.

"I think it's great, I can't remember the last time we had a mariachi band in town," added Selectman Greg Bendel.

Town Manager Jeffrey Hull noted that there is a requirement that, if the capacity exceeds 125, including staff, a licensed crowd control manager would need to be present during the time of the performance. The restaurant capacity is 150, with seating for 125.

Armstrong Ambulance collecting donations to support those in need

ARLINGTON — Armstrong Ambulance is pleased to announce that it will be collecting donations for those in need this holiday season, through its annual Winter Warmth Drive.

From now until Dec. 20, Armstrong will be collecting new and gently used items to help the homeless stay warm this winter. The items that are needed most include coats and jackets, boots, gloves, hats, scarves,

socks, sweatpants and jeans.

Collection bins are located inside each of Armstrong's locations, and residents interested in donating items may leave them at the facility, where they will be collected by an Armstrong employee.

Donations can be delivered to any of the following locations:

- 87 Mystic St., Arlington (donations may be delivered to main entrance on

the third floor)

- 487 Washington St., Brighton
- 217 Middlesex Turnpike, Burlington (entrance in the rear)
- 70 Union St., Medford
- 32 Summer St., Stoneham

- 10 Micro Drive, Woburn (entrance in the rear)
- 55 Knox Trail, Acton
- 16 Hamilton St., Saugus

"The winter months can be extremely challenging for

homeless families, so we want to do what we can to support them and help them stay warm," Armstrong CEO Richard Raymond said. "I hope that the residents in the communities we serve will once again join us in helping those in need."

All items collected will be donated to Bay Cove Human Services. Any questions may be directed to Meredith Lambroff at 781-859-1306.

8th annual Festival of Trees schedule

WILMINGTON — We're One Wilmington's 8th annual Festival of Trees is this weekend! We hope you can join us on Saturday, Dec. 1 from 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 2 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Villanova Hall, 126 Middlesex Ave. in Wilmington. Admission is free for this family-friendly event and raffle tickets will be available for \$10 per sheet of 25.

Try your chance at winning one of the over 100 trees, baskets and wreaths! Donations get more creative every year... some highlights you can expect to see include the "Sweet Treat Tree," "Merry Grinchmas," the "Cookie Tree" and a tree by the Sole Sisters Running Club worth more than \$1,000!

Entertainment Schedule

You are sure to love this year's line-up of holiday music performances! Come on down, grab a treat at

our bake sale and enjoy the sounds of the season from Wilmington's very talented singers and musicians. *Note: All performance times are to be confirmed. Visit <http://onewilmington.org/events/festival-of-trees/non-profit-fundraising-tables/> for up-to-the-minute performance times.

SATURDAY, DEC. 1, 2018
10:15 - 10:45 a.m. The North Atlantic Theatre present Nutcracker Sweets

11:15 - 11:45 a.m. Jennifer Perkins, Strings

11:50 a.m. - 12:50 p.m. Strings Attached - WHS

1 - 1:30 p.m. Strings Attached - WMS

1:45 - 2:15 p.m. Soundscape, WHS Acapella

2:30 - 3 p.m. John Loretz & Anne Sandstrom

3:15 - 3:45 p.m. Alison Bolanos & Audrey Laconte, clarinet duo

4 - 5 p.m. Larry Gilbert, acoustic guitar

6 - 7 p.m. Tom Colantuoni with special guest Alanah

Colantuoni
7:15 - 8 p.m. Paula and Steve Lowell

SUNDAY, DEC. 2, 2018
9:45 a.m. Laine Stockman, pianist

11 a.m. - 12 p.m. Elisabeth Hayduk, violinist

12:30 - 1 p.m. Wilmingtones - WMS Acapella

1:15 - 2:15 p.m. Ben Parker, Piano, WHS

NON-PROFIT FUNDRAISING TABLES

We are delighted that several community groups will be on hand at the Festival selling items for their winter fundraisers including:

SATURDAY, DEC. 1, 2018
9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Sole Sisters Running Club: 5K Winter SOLEstice race registrations

9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Wilmington High School Basketball Club: Poinsettias and 50/50 raffle tickets

9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Wilmington High School Student Council: Wildcat magnets

9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Wilmington

Community Fund: Wilmington ornaments

3 - 9 p.m. Wilmington CATS: Product TBD

3 - 9 p.m. Shawsheen/West PAC: Wildcat apparel

3 - 9 p.m. Wilmington Community Fund: Wilmington ornaments

SUNDAY, DEC. 2, 2018
9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Wilmington Youth Soccer: Winter hats and backpacks

9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Wilmington Pop Warner: Ornaments

9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Parish of the Transfiguration Youth Group: Advent calendars

9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Wilmington Community Fund: Wilmington ornaments

Proceeds from this event will be used to purchase holiday gifts for local families in need and to help fund WOW's other good will initiatives throughout the year.

Please visit our website www.onewilmington.org for additional event details.

News and notes from WCTV

By SHAUN NEVILLE
WCTV Executive Director

Tis the season... for live coverage on WCTV.

December usually brings a burst of activity around town and we'll be working to bring the community a lot of live programming leading up to Christmas.

First up is this Saturday. The Tree Lighting will happen on the Town Common just after sunset. Tune into WCTV (Comcast 9/Verizon 37) around 5 p.m. for the start of our coverage, which will include some singing from the WHS capella group Soundscape. Santa comes at 6 p.m. to turn on the lights.

There are five concerts scheduled at Wilmington High School this winter. Family and friends who can't be there in person can watch each of them either

on TV (Comcast 9/Verizon 37) or online at wctv.org. Tune in at 7 p.m. on Dec. 4t 6, 11, 13 and 18 for live music from Wilmington students.

Winter sports season is coming up and we'll be getting a few WHS basketball games live on our air. (Sorry hockey fans, we don't yet have the capability to get out of Ristuccia.)

Of course, there is also our regular slate of municipal meetings. In addition to the Board of Selectmen (Dec. 10) and School Committee (Dec. 12), we'll also have the Board of Appeals on Dec. 12, at which point they are expected to discuss the proposed detox facility on Middlesex Avenue.

In case you missed it, our big live program this past week was Wilmington Organization Night. Representatives from nearly 20 community groups came to

WCTV on Wednesday night to talk about what they do in town and how you can support their cause. Look for reruns over the next month on WCTV or watch on our website and click on specific groups for 3-5-minute interviews.

New Programs:

These air on one of WCTV's 3 television stations (Public: Comcast 9/Verizon 37 - Government: Comcast 22/Verizon 38 - Education: Comcast 99/Verizon 39). You can also watch most of them at WCTV.org.

- **Organization Night:** Hear from community leaders on the various organizations around town.
- **Wilmington Has Talent:** Watch the annual talent show which is held at Wilmington High School and put on for local seniors.
- **Festival of Trees PSA:** The We're One Wilmington

Festival is this weekend and they helped put together a PSA to advertise the event.

- **Where's Wilmington:** Lisa talks with the founders of a new on-line magazine called, Portrait of New England.
- **Wilmington Football vs Tewksbury:** Not many highlights for Wildcat fans on Thanksgiving.
- **Board of Selectmen:** Monday's meeting includes discussions on veterans, Toys for Tots and property taxes.

Check out WCTV.org for more information on when programs will be televised and how you can get involved at your community television station. Membership is free and there's no time commitment. Produce a show, help in studio or cover a community event that you care about! We're here to make the process as simple as possible.

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Deductions: You and your spouse should determine how you are going to claim deductions for joint property including, but not limited to, mortgage interest and real estate taxes. Typically, you may agree to share deductions for expenses paid while you are married and until you are divorced, after which time, the party who is being awarded the asset and is responsible for payments related to the asset may claim the deduction. For example, if you and your spouse are divorced in June and you are awarded the joint marital residence, you may agree for your spouse to deduct 25% of the mortgage interest and real estate taxes and for you to deduct 75%, if allowable (you split the deduction for the first half of the year, and you take the whole deduction for the second half of the year). Similarly, if you and your spouse agree to sell your marital residence and split the mortgage and real estate taxes until it is sold, you may agree to share the deductions. However, if one party is residing in the home and is responsible for such payments until the sale, you may agree for that party to claim 100% of the deductions incurred during that time, if allowable (and that party may often get a credit from the net sales proceeds for the reduction in mortgage principal incurred during that time). You should talk to your accountant about these joint deductions and any other joint deductions to determine whether and how the IRS will allow them to be shared.

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▲ A decade after he was rescued, Selectman Jerome O'Leary (left) posed with Fire Chief Edwin Day and Assistant Chief Winfred Rice. The 1940 Mack pumper was brand new.

(Photo from the 1940 Town Report)



▲ Norman Perry was photographed by the Boston Traveler after he rescued Jerome O'Leary in a house fire in 1930.

Two Wilmington men honored for 1930 rescues

By LARZ F. NEILSON

Have you ever noticed the space between trains on adjoining tracks? There is less than four feet between them; 48 inches, to be precise.

While that distance is enough to avoid collisions, it hardly provides survival space for anyone caught between two trains. But it was enough to spare two lives on Dec. 8, 1930 in a dramatic rescue at the North Wilmington railroad station.

William E. Converse was awaiting a passenger train to Boston, but did not see an approaching train on the northbound track. While others watched spellbound, Gardner Ritchie grabbed him, pulled him up by his armpits and held him in a narrow space between the two passing trains.

Wilmington at the time had a fairly busy railroad schedule, and many Wilmington people were employed by the

Boston and Maine Railroad. One important job on the railroad was that of timekeeper, and that is what Gardner Ritchie did. He served the town on the Planning Board and the Board of Public Welfare.

A year and a half later, Ritchie was awarded a Carnegie Gold Medal for Life-saving. The annual award was established by steel baron Andrew Carnegie.

Ritchie had moved to Wilmington from Salem when he married Rose Porter. Their five children included John Ritchie, former Wilmington High School football coach and police officer.

On March 14, 1930 a smokey fire broke out about midnight in a one story home on Westdale Avenue. Norman W. Perry found fellow firefighter Jerome J. O'Leary unconscious. He removed him to open air and applied resuscitation for some 30 minutes, successful-

ly reviving him.

Norman Perry was honored with the Boston Traveler Gold Medal of Honor for his life-saving effort. It was presented as a surprise at a town meeting in the Grange Hall. The medal was awarded to police and firemen for exceptional service.

Perry was 31 at the time, living with his parents, Charles and Emma Perry on Church Street. He was an MIT graduate, working as a chemist at the Merrimac Chemical Co. plant in North Woburn. In later years, he owned the Shell gas station at Lowell and Main streets. In 1931, he was elected to the Wilmington School Committee.

He was the grandson of John W. Perry, who ran the blacksmith shop at Perry's Corner for many years.

O'Leary was a selectman at the time, and was an outspoken Democrat.



▲ Selectman Jerome O'Leary posed with members of the Wilmington Police Dept. in 1940. From left, Chief Harry Ainsworth, Edmund Waters, Deputy Chief Francis Hoban, and Jerome O'Leary. In back are Talbot Sidelinker and Frank Gammons.

(Photo from 1940 Town Report)

THE DETOX CENTER IT'S NOT OVER

The construction of the detox center in North Wilmington is up for its final town vote and we need your support.

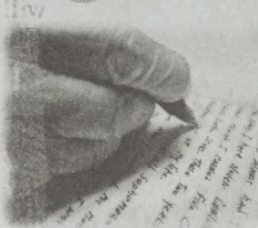
**Attend the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting on
December 12 at 7pm
at the Wilmington Town Hall**

This is our last chance to stand as a town united to say
North Wilmington is not the right place for a detox center.
We can find a better location, together.

You have a voice in this town. Make it heard.

Please call the Town Hall on Dec. 12th to ensure the meeting has not been postponed.
For more information, visit the Concerned Citizens of Wilmington Facebook page
or email citizensofwilmington@gmail.com

OPINION



Letters to the editor

Detox center not in best interest of residents

Dear Wilmington residents, The power base that rules this town is not acting in our best interest and only what's best for their wallets. Example: the proposed detox in North Wilmington. Please remember we are all stakeholders and the stakes could not be higher.

Look around town and you will see a trend, a trend of vacant stores and old manufacturing facilities, less than vibrant business districts and contaminated waste sites all at a time when other communities are seeing record economic growth. Our economic future and vision appears to be more of what the power base wants and their narrow vision. The proof is in the pudding.

As a result, we are now faced with the possibility of a detox facility alongside a residential neighborhood that could also at some point house a methadone clinic. Once a detox is approved, there appears to be no mechanisms for stopping the owners from creating a methadone facility. How could this ever be good for the town in this area?

This can be a "pay to play" scenario and there are many instances where for-profit "clinics" are taking advantage of vulnerable victims of addiction with the sole intention of making lots of money under the pretense of community concern. It is disgusting. Recently, there was a story on CBS called 'Methadone Mile' in Boston. I encourage you to watch it here <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IT4MSAZGYa4>.

They claim they care, but do they? How is adding insult to injury in an area already struggling caring? And for who? I, as other North Wilmington residents, have long advocated that there is a need for addressing the crisis of addiction. We feel badly for people struggling and we all have personally been faced with this issue one way or another.

Drug addiction is an overwhelming societal problem, and one we can all agree must be addressed. But in doing so Wilmington's social and economic health cannot be sacrificed. Bottom line, this location is in completely the wrong place — it is as simple as that! You simply do not put these types of facilities in neighborhood/commercial business districts.

When I was a teenager I worked in Klemm's diner in Center Square Lynn. At that time it was a vibrant district with lots of shoppers, families etc. Then President Reagan eliminated federal funding of mental institutions. Danvers State Hospital closed and patients were relocated in communities like downtown Lynn.

Concurrently, malls were opening up in the suburbs. Those two actions combined killed the local businesses and it devastated Lynn's local economy. The city has yet to recover. At that time I also lived next to a place for war veterans who had mental health and substance abuse problems, so I know what I am talking about, I have experience of what it is like to be an abutter. It can be very trying.

I moved here because I did not want to live in an area that had been "sacrificed." There is a reason why studies have shown land values drop around these types of facilities and people may avoid North Wilmington businesses.

In similar ways, like Lynn, I believe North Wilmington can not absorb this negative impact and I resent the notion that fellow citizens and businesses will be that "sacrificial lamb" while lining the pockets of a few. And that is what this is about, money, not what is in the best interest of the town otherwise it would move to the other property where the new by-law has designated it to be a better fit.

I hope every resident from the impacted area along with general townspeople attend the ZBA meeting on Dec. 12 and demand that the ZBA protect one of our town's only neighborhood/business districts from this ill-conceived project. The time is now to take a stand on the issues that affect us all. So please help protect North Wilmington and let the Zoning Board of Appeals know on Dec. 12, that this project is the right thing but in the wrong place and is not in harmony with the surrounding neighborhood and business district.

Let's send a message and start a trend toward local government representing ALL of its people.

Suzanne Sullivan
Wilmington

Tewksbury Memorial High School enjoys pep rally

By MATT FRONDUTO

Rivalries are celebrated, not feared, in Tewksbury. And perhaps there is no better exemplification of this than the annual pep rally.

Last week's pep rally was one of rich tradition, coming every year on the Wednesday prior to the Thanksgiving game against Wilmington (Eds. note: Tewksbury blanked Wilmington on Thanksgiving, 43-0).

With streamers, signs, and holiday lights hanging from the overhead track, the rally was nothing short of a true event, in every sense of the word.

The cheerleaders performed a marvelous routine, students from all grades squared off in friendly competitions, and football coach Brian Aylward introduced every senior football player, celebrating what has been an incredible four years for that group of players.

Before the ceremony started, however, the crowd was treated to a beautiful rendition of the National Anthem courtesy of Connor Mangan, followed by a splendid cover of Aerosmith's "Dream On," which was complemented by an impressive performance from the Color Guard team.

The cheerleaders, as always, were splendid — delivering a performance that left the entirety of the crowd speechless, stunned at the athletic and majestic marvel that they had witnessed.

After the crowd's awe subsided, Vice Principal O'Leary eagerly used the Robotics Club's t-shirt launcher to sail free t-shirts into the crowd. This segued, admittedly somewhat suddenly, into Athletic Director Ron Drouin announcing the senior members of each fall sports team. These announcements would be sprinkled in throughout the rally, and served as a nice way to recognize the students who have given all of their effort in and out of the classroom.

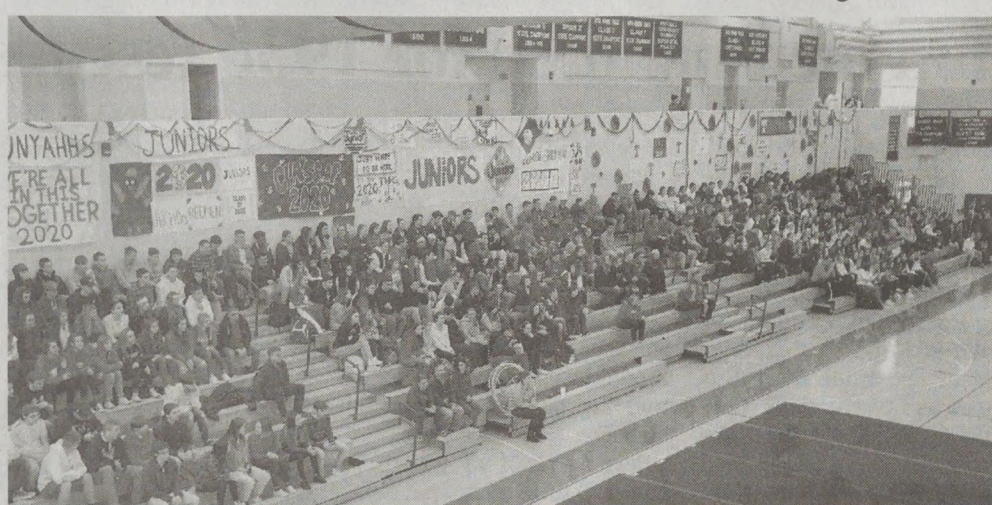
The fun was far from over though, as several smaller games such as tug of war, and an obstacle course relay race headlined the meat of the ceremony. Each event was won by the seniors, as their previous three years of practice seemed to pay off.

Finally, the ceremony was capped off as Aylward introduced each senior member of the football team, which as I mentioned, served as a wonderful send-off to a group of boys who have poured their hearts and souls into the team over the past four years.

And this Saturday, they will have the chance to further cement their legacy, as they are set to play in the Division III Super Bowl at Gillette Stadium, the first TMHS team in almost a decade to do so.

So, if you see a football player between now and the next game, wish them success and good health, and if you show up on Saturday, bring the same type of energy that was seen last Wednesday at the pep rally.

Go Redmen!



(Matt Fronduto photo)

Supreme Court efforts in civics education

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"If we want our students to actually learn the facts and concepts and ideas we're trying to teach them, they have to experience those things in some way that rises above abstract words on paper. They have to process them. Manipulate them. To really learn in a way that will stick, they have to DO something. When we do little more than have students copy down information or fill out worksheets, we are making school an awful place to be," commented educational writer and researcher Jennifer Gonzales.

For many this hits home.

This is an interesting point and references the efforts all our teachers need to achieve to make all of this happen, as it made me think of how family business firms developed as our schools gave the students the basics and some focus for achievement.

In a family that had a local business, students often in decades followed the family and brought achievements to the generations before them and kept the family business going, as we see in the Town Crier, all the way back to the

old leather factories that filled our landscape in those years way back.

Now the success of the regional vocational schools have become locations for some students to focus heading in similar directions, as the curriculum has changed to include some up to date needs including robotics, advanced welding plus many other high-tech curriculum areas. Competition is most serious in these schools in many geographic areas, as preparing someone for a job post high school is the focus for so many students not desirous of college education or for others, who desire this type of high school career and standard sources in the their college preparation.

Supreme Court efforts

Meanwhile, Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor is out there pushing education, as a national leader in improving civics education, as the author of two books promoting "civics education and community engagement among youth."

This really is so fabulous to see coming from the Supreme Court. Apparently, Justice Sotomayor is picking up the issues from a vision of recently retired Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor.

Just beginning her 10th term on the court, Sotomayor feels that too little civics education is taking place in our public schools. The Massachusetts Board of Elementary and Secondary Education has required all local school districts to include an 8th grade unit and project in civics education during the school year. The reality of this issue is that most teachers at all grades have been doing a great deal of this but time and other curriculum mandates have prevented more on this important topic.

Likewise in terms of community service, many school districts are affiliated with local community projects, as well as the great Project 351 at the state level which is a non-profit organization that is always promoting, developing and implementing community services.

Physical Therapy importance

In a recent Sports Night, Garin Veris, formerly of the New England Patriots took a few minutes to give a shout out for those involved in physical therapy, saying how important this was in all sports and regular day life, which I found interesting, as so often so many players (and many others) find that physical therapy keeps many

players and non-players, in shape to play and to live.

Quite frankly, I find these folks "unsung heroes" to many on the fields, courts and rinks of our communities in addition to so many folks that need them for treatment to keep all "young in spirit and movement" despite time marching on!

Some pulse comments

Thanks for many of you who have enjoyed some extractions I have taken from the Morning Pulse, which I felt most interesting. A few of these will follow from recent days: cybersecurity is everyone's workplace responsibility; Facebook blocks 115 accounts ahead of US midterm elections; US Christmas sales predicted to surpass \$1 trillion for the first time this year; gasoline prices drop to lowest level since April; study reveals that staying the course with retirement plans pays off; parents education, key to child's security; extreme weather could see insurance premiums rise, actual index warns; more Americans are using real estate agents than ever before, and Amazon is set to display Apple products on its site.

THANKS for taking the time to read this column and feel free to e-mail me at andrews@massupt.org.

'Suicide by train' should derail detox construction

To the editor, The location of the proposed detox center in North Wilmington is not conducive to alcohol and drug detoxification and recovery. Middlesex Ave is very busy. Traffic noise is constant. Also, the railroad sounds generated by the commuter rail is part of the audio ambiance at that location.

People undergoing alcohol withdrawal know if they walk diagonally across the street they can purchase beer, wine

or spirits. Some may choose to visit the VFW bar if they can. The temptation would be continuous.

Recently, a member of the Concerned Citizens of Wilmington was doing some online research and discovered an alarming article in the Aug. 7 edition of the Washington Post. The article was authored by Ashley Halsey III. It is titled, "Suicide by train is in decline, but deaths of people who trespassed on railroad tracks increased in 2017."

The piece features statistics collected by the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA). Data excerpted from the article includes:

- More than 300 times last year, people walked onto railroad tracks to intentionally put themselves in the path of a train — and in 266 cases they successfully committed suicide.

- A report conducted for the 2007-2010 period found that all of those who died had abused alcohol or drugs, and all but two suffered from mental illness.

- The 2007-2010 report also noted: At the time they stepped in front of a train, half had consumed alcohol or illegal or prescription drugs. Additionally, more than half suffered from a chronic physical illness that often caused pain.

- "Choosing a violent method, such as suicide by rail, has been associated with substance abuse or dependence and psychotic disorders," said another FRA report published four years ago. "The individuals included

in this report were more likely to have a mental disorder (96 percent) or a drinking (62 percent) or substance abuse (58 percent) problem than individuals who chose other suicide methods."

This article provides the most compelling evidence that the town should not permit the construction of a detox facility at this location. If the construction is "green-lighted" there may be considerable legal exposure if a patient hearing the trains all day and night gets the idea to end his/her withdrawal torment using "Suicide by train."

Locating a detox facility at 362 Middlesex is an avoidable recipe for disaster.

Last Dec. 16 the citizens of Wilmington banded together to overwhelmingly pass Article-II. The article was drafted by Selectman Michael McCoy. The bylaw opened-up large tracts of industrially zoned land for use by medical facilities to include detox centers. These parcels are quiet, remote

and provide a supportive recovery environment for detoxification, rehabilitation and

Gerry Bruno

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OBITUARY

Patricia A. (Sullivan) Carlino

Nurse at the Chelsea Soldiers' Home

Patricia A. (Sullivan) Carlino, age 57, of Wilmington, passed away unexpectedly on Nov. 23, 2018 at the Winchester Hospital.

Patricia was born on Dec. 14, 1960 in Somerville, MA; she was the cherished daughter of the late William J. and Helen (McMaster) Sullivan. Patricia grew up in Somerville and graduated from Somerville High School. Following graduation, she went to Nursing School where she earned her Associate Degree

in Nursing.

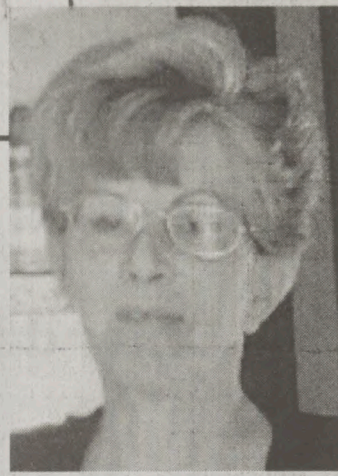
Patricia went to work as a nurse at the Chelsea Soldiers' Home. She loved her job and made many friends with her warm and caring personality. After many years of dedicated nursing, Patricia earned the title of Nurse Manager.

Patricia married Frank Vincent Carlino on March 10, 1985. The couple moved to Wilmington where they raised their four daughters: Jessica, Sarah, April and Trisha. They

shared many wonderful memories as a tight-knit family before Frank's passing in 2010. Patricia was a strong, loving Mom who continued to raise her girls.

In her spare time, Patricia enjoyed spending time with her family, friends and dogs, going to Osterville in the summer, shopping, going out to eat, gardening, swimming, trips to the casino and watching her favorite sports team, The New England Patriots.

Patricia was the beloved wife of the late Frank Vincent Carlino, devoted mother of Jessica Carlino & Michael Kelley, Sarah Carlino & Nick Pepper, April Carlino & Michael Labrecque all of Wilmington and Trisha Carlino & Jesse Cunningham of Lowell, loving grandmother of the late Ava Grace and Emma Rose Kelley, cherished daughter of the late William J. and Helen (McMaster) Sullivan, dear sister of Billy & Maura Sullivan of Litchfield, NH, Karen Taverna & Joe Lepera of Belmont and Kelly & Brett Ramsdell of Brentwood, NH.



Patricia is survived by her extended family including Carol Beagen, Debbie Anemoduris, John & Colleen Carlino, Michael & Andrea Carlino, Nancy Wheeler, the late Frankie Carlino, Mary Carlino, many loving nieces & nephews, as well as her dogs Maggie, Sugar, Vinny,

the late Romeo and her cat, the late Julie.

Family and friends will gather at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rt. 62), Wilmington, on Thursday, Nov. 29 at 9 a.m. followed by a Mass of Christian Burial in St. Dorothy's Church, Main St. (Rt. 38), Wilmington at 10 a.m. Interment Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett. Visiting Hours were held at the Funeral Home on Wednesday, Nov. 28 from 4 - 7 p.m.

Donations in Patricia's memory may be made to National Organization for Rare Disorders, Dept. 5930, P.O. Box 4110, Woburn, MA 01888.

Bursting with generosity of heart and treasure: Lazarus House 'Sharing Our Bounty Gala'

LAWRENCE — On Saturday, Nov. 17, at the Andover Country Club, a packed house of over 440 guests attended the Lazarus House Sharing Our Bounty Gala with open hearts and a spirit of generosity like never before. The Gala generated a record-breaking total that will provide emergency services to those in crisis this Holiday season and into the imminent cold months of winter.

Bridget Shaheen, Executive Director stated, "There are no words for the gratitude we have for the people whose goodness and generosity make the work of Lazarus House possible. From our donors to our guests, to our staff to our volunteers, every piece is equally important in making a better life for those we serve."

Lazarus House was pleased to have Tiny Tunes of Andover as the premier sponsor of the event. As a special attraction, the students from Tiny Tunes performed during the welcome reception with an adorable repertoire of songs as well as a unique rendition of "Somewhere over the Rainbow" later in the evening.

The evening was filled with magnificent entertainment and the anticipation and activity of both silent and live auctions. Guests were delighted by musical performances by Sons of Serendip (America's Got Talent finalists) and the students of TINY TUNES.

Governor Charlie Baker addressed the room with a heartfelt talk celebrating the spirit of the people of Massachusetts and exclaimed with outstretched arms to a generous community gathered to help neighbors less fortunate, "This is what I love most about my job."

Lawrence Mayor, Daniel Rivera, presented Bridget Shaheen, Executive Director of Lazarus House, with a "Certificate of Appreciation" celebrating her uplifting spirit, inclusive nature, compassionate character and the excellent work she has done in the Lawrence community. One of the Lazarus House Guests, Erone, shared her story of struggle, strength, and ultimate success through the support of the team and programs at Lazarus House.



▲ Guest speaker, Erone

A shout out to Dr. Reverend Paul Burton of WBZ-TV News for an engaging emcee experience and Ed Harding, Anchor WCVB Newscenter 5 for his auctioneering expertise. Finally, guests were enchanted with a guest appearance by the lovely Lawrence native, Gabriela Tavares, Miss Massachusetts.

The event was teeming with respect, admiration and devoted support for the unparalleled Executive Director, Bridget Shaheen, in her last Sharing Our Bounty Gala in this leadership role. Shaheen is planning for her much deserved retirement in June of 2019.

The Gala was a success by all measures, but most importantly it set the stage for those in dire situations to receive what they need to survive, and to thrive as they do the long hard work of breaking the bonds of poverty for themselves and their families.

Doug Cook - President of the Board - Lazarus House remarked, "My heart is so full of joy and gratitude for the generosity exhibited at the gala this year and in that same moment, my heart is heavy for the in-

creased need surrounding us in the Merrimack Valley as we navigate the gas crisis, the continued need that is always in our midst and the cold winter months upon us."

Julie Zavrl - Owner - Tiny Tunes shared, "Growing up in Andover there were so many of us sheltered from the sad reality of the people living in poverty so close to home. Even now, many of our neighbors in the Merrimack Valley are struggling and need a helping hand during these challenging times. I have been so lucky to have witnessed the many successes that the guests at Lazarus House have achieved and sincerely hope my contribution will continue to allow their victories, both big and small, to be possible."

"The most important thing I realized with all my years of involvement at the non-profit is the importance of dignity in the fight against poverty and homelessness. Lazarus House does an incredible job restoring dignity for people during their darkest times. With the involvement of the children and families of Tiny Tunes, I have made it my personal mission to offer them the chance (as I had at a young age) to see what amazing things are possible when they get involved in their communities."

Bridget Shaheen - Executive Director - Lazarus House stated, "It is people like Julie who encourage children to use their gifts and talents for the good of others and that make this world a better place. I cannot imagine anything more splendid than the sound that came from those beautiful children that performed not only with their wonderful voices but with their loving hearts. They are our glorious future!"



▲ Gala attendees bidding

About Lazarus House Ministries

Lazarus House helps families and individuals living in poverty regain their dignity and become self-sufficient, contributing members of the community. We do this by providing emergency shelter, food and clothing to people in crisis and then offering transi-

tional housing, advocacy, support, education and work preparation.

About Tiny Tunes

Tiny Tunes provides the highest quality of Live Music Education to babies 3 months to 3.5 years old. The Stars Performance Program is a musical theater program with the phi-

losophy that every child is the star of the show. The Stars Performance Program has classes for kids 3-14 years old with a primary goal of building confidence and discovering a love of performing. For more information go to: <http://tinytunesandover.com/>



▲ Governor Baker, Julie Zavrl and Tiny Tunes Students

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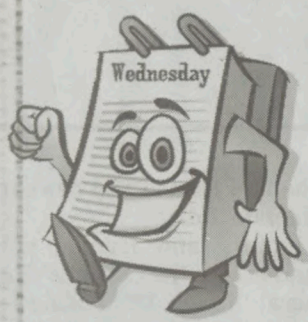
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Wilmington Sons of Italy Dinner and Show

Sons of Italy Dinner and Show

Saturday, December 29 at 6:00 p.m.

Elks Lodge, 777 South Street in Tewksbury

The Wilmington Sons of Italy is sponsoring a 5-course Dinner and Show on December 29 at the Elks Lodge in Tewksbury. A cocktail hour will begin at 6:00 p.m. followed by a catered sit-down surf and turf dinner served family style provided by Mr. Jack's of Billerica at 7:00 p.m. The evening will be capped off with entertainment by The Singing Trooper Dan Clark and his wife Mary Colarusso. The dinner is \$50 per person; optional \$10 scratch ticket swap. For tickets contact Patricia at 617-880-9901 or jromano45@gmail.com

Knights of Columbus Cribbage

Mondays at 7:00 p.m.
Knights of Columbus

If you will be looking for something to do on Monday nights during the fall and winter, then how about playing some cribbage? The Wilmington Knights of Columbus will host cribbage matches beginning on Monday, September 10 and continuing through the winter into early spring. Play begins at 7:00 p.m. and lasts about two hours. The competition is head to head for five games against five different opponents. There is a small entry fee and at the end of the night the two top scorers will receive cash prizes. If you are interested, the club is located on Middlesex Ave behind St. Thomas church, and the matches are held in the members lounge which is accessed at the rear of the building. The lounge has a cash bar and we have two large screen TVs so that you can keep an eye on your favorite teams. This is an

adult activity and they are looking for players male and female at all skill levels. If you have any questions, please call Bob at 978-851-4985.

Alateen

The first and third Thursday of each month

St Williams Church (middle brick building), 1351 Main Street in Tewksbury

When there is evidence of alcoholism or drug use in a family, you can see the effects on the other family members, especially young people. Alateen meetings provide mutual support for young people affected by someone else's drinking and drug use. Come speak with teens who know exactly how you feel. The meetings are confidential and a safe place to share experiences, strength, and hope with each other; discuss difficulties; learn effective ways to cope

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Safety seat installation

Every Wednesday from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Public Safety Building, 1 Adelaide Street

The Wilmington Police Department offers safety seat installs at the Wilmington Public Safety Building (1 Adelaide St.) every Wednesday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. No appointment is necessary, but calling ahead at 978-658-5071 is recommended.

Tewksbury Calendar:

Congregational Church Christmas Fair

Annual Pie Social

Friday, November 30 from 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

Town Common

In conjunction with the Tree Lighting Ceremony on the Town Common, Tewksbury Congregational Church will, once again, host the Annual Pie Social. Enjoy a slice of homemade pie and a hot drink for \$4/person, and get a head start on your holiday shopping, as some of the Christmas Fair tables will be open for sales. Santa will visit with children in front of the fire in the Parlor for free picture taking at 7:00 p.m., so bring your camera!

Tewksbury Congregational Church Christmas Fair

Saturday, December 1 from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Tewksbury Congregational Church

Make TCC your first stop for Christmas decorating and shopping. Fresh wreaths, kissing balls and cemetery baskets are a specialty, as are their famous cinnamon rolls and chili. Other highlights include fresh Christmas arrangements, homemade baked goods, jams and fudge, woodworking, Christmas decorations, pampered pet items, gently used toys and jewelry. Visit tewksburycc.org for more information.

Tewksbury Elementary Schools Community Workshop

Join the school committee at the upcoming community meeting to share your thoughts on the school project.

Thursday, December 6 at 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall

Tewksbury Education Foundation Bookfair

Saturday, December 8 Barnes & Noble, 98 Middlesex Turnpike in Burlington Barnes & Noble has invited the TEF to host another all day Bookfair at their Burlington location. This date also coincides with Educator Appreciation Day, which extends up to a 25% discount to teachers. Last year the TEF raised over \$2,000 in profit from this event! A voucher needs to be presented at the time of purchase or can be used on-line. Please forward the link to family and friends to help spread the word! The morning will be bustling with activity, starting with a kid's craft station at 10:00 a.m. hosted by Dewing School Principal Mrs. Gerrish. There will be several teachers that have offered their time as guest readers over the morning hours and the Wynn School Band will be playing holiday

music at noon. The Tewksbury Education Foundation is hoping for a busy day and needs a few volunteers to staff the TEF table. Please see the sign up at signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4BABAD2BABFF2-barnesnoble.

SilverTones

3rd Friday Dance

7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. beginning September 21

Tewksbury Senior Center at 275 Chandler Street

The Tewksbury SilverTones have returned from summer hiatus and will be performing for the remainder of the year on its "3rd Friday Dance" schedule. This is the start of its 18th year of entertaining. The 20-piece professional orchestra now led by Mary Beth Foley-Cummings will perform for listening and dancing in all genres of familiar music with the vocals of Barbara Braxten, for singles and couples. The \$10 admission per person will include cake, coffee/tea and free ice. Attendees are encouraged to bring along their favorite beverages and snacks, though there is a \$1 soda machine on site. The door prize will be for 2 free admissions to any future dance. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Open rehearsals are always free admission, but the SilverTones ask that

there be no snacks or beverages. Families are welcome. For more information, contact the manager through the Senior Center at 978-640-4480.

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TEF hosts night of celebrity impersonations and singing

To the editor,

Here we go again!!! The Tewksbury Education Foundation will be hosting a fun-filled night of celebrity impersonations & singing with the famous Joey Voices!! Our event will be held on Jan. 25, 2019, from 7 - 11 p.m. at the Tewksbury Country Club. Tickets are ON SALE now at Community Pass, Community Pass Link to register for programs <https://register.communitypass.net/TewksburyPublicSchools> at the Community Services Desk, or by contacting a TEF Member. Tickets are \$20 advance purchase or they will be \$25 at the door. Along with our Vegas-worthy show, there will be a comedian opening act. The show will begin PROMPTLY

at 8:15. We will have our unbelievable raffle baskets in the Andrea Room. Raffles will be open from 7 - 8:15 p.m. and again during intermission. Seating during the show will be at our discretion, so please plan accordingly!!

This show WILL SELL OUT so get your tickets early!! Great Christmas gifts!!!

Have a wonderful holiday season and we will see you in January!!

Please contact Erin Asselin (978)758-0749 or Arthy Bennett (978)390-7473 for tickets or any questions!!

Check out Joey's website for a sneak peek: www.joeyvoices.com.

Tewksbury Education Foundation

Letters to the editor

Annual Christmas Craft Fair on Saturday, Dec. 8

To the editor,

Thank you to the town and the people of Wilmington for your continued support of the residents of Deming Way. The Deming Way residents really appreciate your con-

tinued assistance. Also, thank you to the small businesses in Wilmington for all of your donations to their Christmas Craft Fair raffle table each year.

The residents of Deming

Way low-income Senior Housing are holding their annual Christmas Craft Fair Saturday, Dec. 8, 2018 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 41 Deming Way. The Fair has a lot to offer. Handcrafted and "white elephant" items are for sale. Baked goods (cookies, cakes and pies) are for sale at very low prices, too.

Also, select prized items are raffled off each year, from unique handcrafted items to gift certificates donated by popular stores and eateries. The raffle selection begins at the end of the Fair.

The Christmas Craft Fair is the Deming Way Tenants Association's biggest fundrais-

ing event of the year, the proceeds of which fund rental buses for trips, bingo, group dinners, and other entertainment at their community center throughout the year. The Deming Way Tenants Association and Community Center are completely separate from the Wilmington Senior Center; even though, as residents of Wilmington, the senior citizens are able to attend the Senior Center and take advantage of the activities there. Please stop by and support the Deming Way residents by attending their Fair this year.

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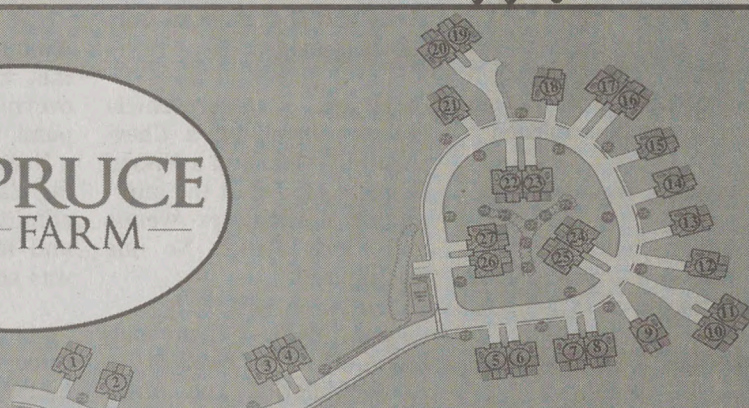
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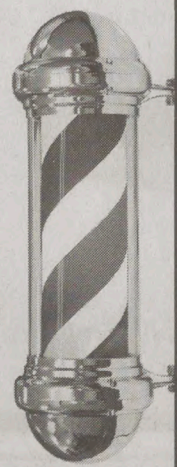
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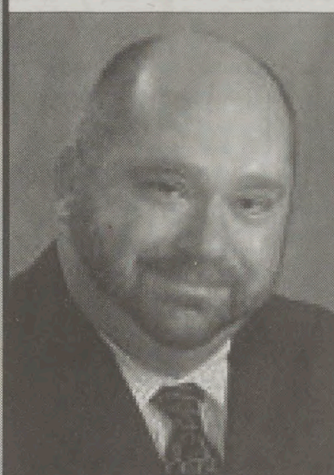


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Tewksbury Police Log

Small, white dog located, picked up by Animal Control

Monday, November 19

4:16 a.m. - Someone was walking in the middle of the roadway of Main Street South in the area of the train bridge. Police sent. Police spoke to a man in Cumberland Farms who saw him; he was crossing the road and dropped something. All was checked out.

11:28 a.m. - Resident reported footprints on his property and would like to speak with an officer at Shawsheen Street. Police sent and filled a report.

Tuesday, November 20

9:18 a.m. - Police are out at Saunders Circle with a motor vehicle. Vehicle matches the description from a prior incident and had matching damages. Police made contact with party involved in prior incident. Citation issued.

10:32 a.m. - Police were out at Anthony Road attempting to serve a warrant. Michael Coughlin, 31, of 8 Anthony Road in Tewksbury, was arrested and charged with a warrant for receiving stolen property worth under \$1,200, possession to distribute class B drugs, and two counts of trespassing.

11:01 p.m. - Female caller reported finding a small white older dog on the side of the road in the snow at Shawsheen Street with no town tags. Animal Control was notified and met up with the caller to take possession of the dog.

Wednesday, November 21

2:22 a.m. - Police stopped a motor vehicle at East Street and Livingston Street for plate light violation. Dylan Hagen, 21, of 73 Coburn in Concord was arrested and charged with operating mo-

tor vehicle with license revoked and number plate violation.

6:02 a.m. - A silver vehicle went south from Whipple Road and Rogers Street driving with no headlights and she almost struck the vehicle. Police sent to check the length of Whipple Road, but gone on arrival.

10:13 a.m. - Caller reported footprints in the snow coming from the woods to the house at Starr Avenue. Police sent and filed a report.

1:18 p.m. - A 911 caller reported erratic operator traveled down Andover Street by McDonalds. Police sent. The vehicle finally came to a stop at the convince store in Andover. The operator was having medical issues and Andover Police and Fire Department were handling it.

11:06 p.m. - Police request-

ed Officers to respond for a fight outside the Maverick's Restaurant and Lounge. Police sent. There was a shouting match and two males were trying to intervene. All parties have left and police filed a report.

Thursday, November 22

12:34 a.m. - There was an intoxicated male in his room that would not leave at Motel 6. Police sent. David Petros, 61, of 209 Middlesex St. in Lowell, was arrested and charged with a straight warrant.

10:09 a.m. - Caller reported suspicious parties in the woods at Woodcrest Drive. Police sent. Hunters tracked a deer.

9:43 p.m. - Police out with a suspicious vehicle at International Place. The operator was driving around State Hospital land with wig wags

on. Verbal warning.

Sunday, November 25

11:32 p.m. - Rachael Joyal, 23, of 302 Old Main St. in Tewksbury, was arrested and charged with OUI liquor, negligent operation of motor vehicle, failure to yield at intersection.

Friday, November 23

11:54 p.m. - Caller reported there was a loud party at Secor Way. Police sent and they checked the area. It was quiet at the location.

Saturday, November 24

1:11 p.m. - Manager at Blue Wave reported yesterday he viewed suspicious activity on his surveillance cameras. He stated a white Ford pickup truck took plates off a vehicle in the lot and sped off. The white pickup truck was now back in the lot. Police sent and they reported no vehicle was in the lot.

11:18 p.m. - A 911 transfer from Wilmington reported an erratic driver at Arkansas Road. Police sent. They attempted to make contact with the operator parked in the driveway. The operator was spoken to and checked out.

1:14 a.m. - A 911 caller reported a suspicious black truck parked across the street from his house at Tenth Street. Police sent. The vehicle parked was there to pick up friends next door and was leaving shortly.

2:08 a.m. - A male party knocked at the caller's door stating his vehicle broke down at North Street. Police sent. They requested fire for an elderly male altered mental. Ambulance transported one male to Saints Hospital.

6:19 a.m. - Police out at Radcliff Road attempted to serve a probation warrant. Brendan Galvin, 29, of 101 Squire Lane in Tewksbury, was arrested and charged with Middlesex superior probation warrant.

10:16 p.m. - Police stopped a motor vehicle at Haffner's for marked lanes. Marilyn Garrett, 42, of 467 Pleasant St. in Melrose, was arrested and charged with OUI liquor, marked lanes violation, and negligent operation of motor vehicle.



Wilmington Police Log

Two arrested for receiving stolen property over \$1,200

Monday, November 19:

12:24 p.m.: Police spotted an Audi A4 on Lowell Street which was smoking from its underside. Upon investigation, a possible coolant leak was also found. The vehicle was towed.

12:39 p.m.: Police notified Verizon that the wire to the rectory at St. Dorothy's Church was down.

Tuesday, November 20:

4:08 a.m.: Michael Ferretti, 24, of 5 Allie Lane in Westford was arrested for operating under the influence of liquor, marked lanes violation, negligent operation of

a motor vehicle, and possession of an open container of alcohol in a vehicle. He was found in his vehicle on a resident's lawn with his headlights on, possibly after hitting a tree.

6:42 p.m.: A Nissan Pathfinder hit its mirror on a mailbox by the corner of Federal Street and Middlesex Avenue.

Wednesday, November 11:

8:58 p.m.: A motor vehicle collision occurred on Middlesex Avenue involving a Ford Escape and an Audi Q5.

11:54 a.m.: One party refused to exchange informa-

tion after a minor collision on Main Street involving a Chevrolet Equinox and a Saab 9-5.

12:22 p.m.: The Fire Department responded after a Chrysler Pacifica caught fire by Route 41 on Route 125.

2:30 p.m.: A Saturn Vue and a Hyundai Sonata were involved in a motor vehicle collision at the intersection of Middlesex Avenue and Clark Street. No injuries were reported.

6 p.m.: The driver of a GMC Sierra 1500 was issued a written citation for following too close after a minor collision with a Subaru Impreza at the

intersection of Middlesex Avenue and High Street. No one was injured in the collision.

Thursday, November 12:

12:41 p.m.: Police reported a low wire on Lawrence Street to Verizon.

Friday, November 13:

2:51 p.m.: Neil Joshi, 40, of 119 Church St. was arrested for operating under the influence of liquor, leaving the scene of property damage, and marked lanes violation. Joshi drove into a snowbank and damaged a Clark Street mailbox before driving away, leaving behind his license plate. Bail was paged later

that day.

2:59 a.m.: A Subaru Impreza struck a deer at the intersection of Hopkins Street and Sarafinas Way. The deer was gone before police arrived and the car had only minor damage.

2:15 p.m.: A motor vehicle collision involving a Chevrolet Silverado and a Nissan Rogue occurred at the intersection of Middlesex Avenue and Clark Street. No one was injured.

5 p.m.: John Anthony Gallinaro, 27, of 5 Lowell St. in North Billerica and Alexa Marquard, 22, of 21 Kenwood Ave. in Wilmington were arrested on Biggar Avenue. Both were charged with receiving stolen property worth over \$1,200, and Gallinaro was also charged with operating a vehicle while his license was suspended or revoked and driving while it was not in his possession.

Saturday, November 24:

10:38 a.m.: A motor vehicle collision occurred on Jefferson Road involving a Toyota Corolla and a Mazda 2. No one was injured and neither vehicle was damaged.

11:38 a.m.: A Washington Avenue resident reported that their Hyundai was hit overnight, resulting in a paint transfer. Police found a Nissan Altima with matching damage and the owner admitted to tapping the car and leaving thinking there was no damage.

5:18 p.m.: A Chevrolet Caprice and a Buick LeSabre motor vehicle collision occurred at the intersection of Glen Road and Harnden Street. Police found no injuries and all patients declined medical attention.

Sunday, November 25:

3:10 p.m.: Police checked on two people in a dumpster at Watson-Marlow on Upton Drive. The two were found to be looking for scrap metal.

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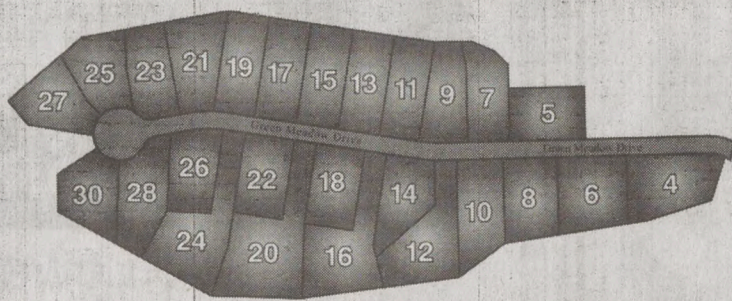


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The Methodist Church will be selling Christmas Trees as well, making it a one-stop-shop for all your Christmas cheer!

Many of the classic summer vendors are joining the Winter Market throughout the season including Arrow-

head Farm, Seafood Express and Purple Carrot Bread, as well as music by Anne Sandstrom & John Lorentz.

In addition, non-food vendors will be selling a variety of goods throughout the season such as KC Styles, Rustic Life Farm Soap, Juice Box Diva and Bee Balm Co.

For a full listing of the Winter Market vendors, visit www.wilmingtonfarmersmarket.com.

The Winter Farmers Market takes place on Dec. 2, Jan. 6, Feb. 3, March 10, April 14 and May 5 from 2-4 p.m. at the Wilmington Methodist Church at 87 Church St., Wilmington.

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By HEATHER BURNS
News Correspondent

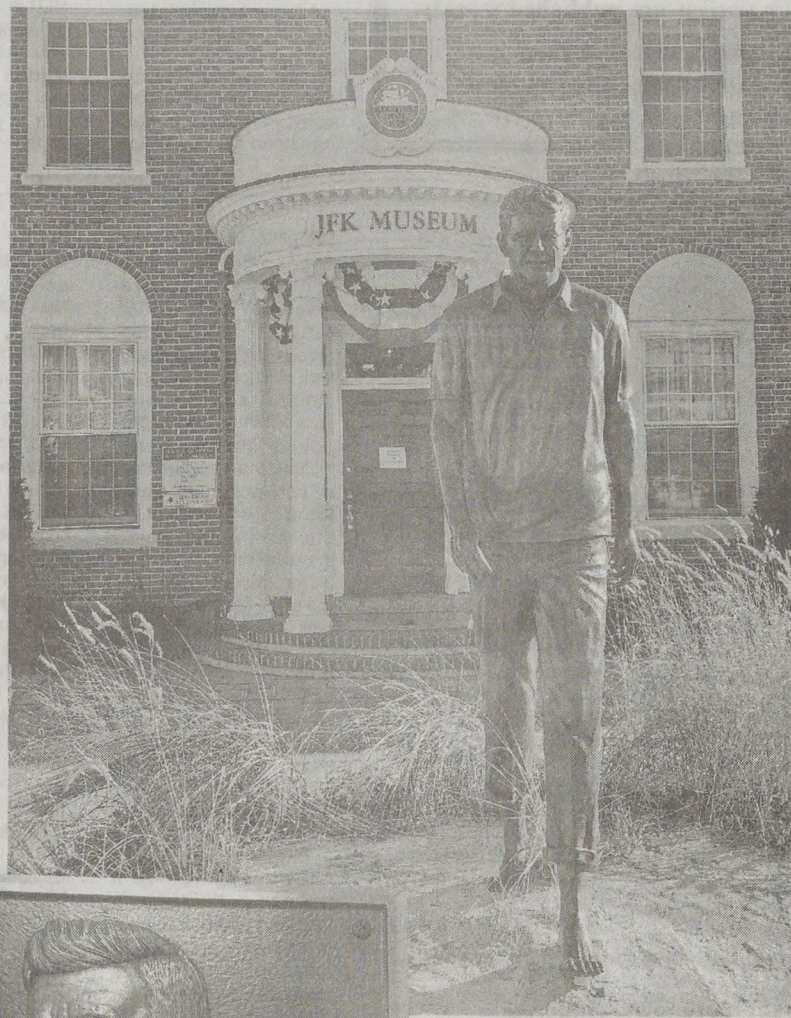
Where were you when JFK was shot?" is a question well known to the generation that lived through that tragic week in 1963 when the 35th President of the United States was shot and killed during the now infamous motorcade in Dallas, Texas.

This November marks the 55th anniversary of President John F. Kennedy's death. The John F. Kennedy Museum, located at 397 Main St. in Hyannis, is a place you can pause and reflect on a tragic, yet poignant part of our country's history.

Not unlike it's famous counterpart, The John F. Kennedy Library in Boston, The John F. Kennedy Museum in Hyannis chronicles the life of the man and statesman, but is on a smaller, more intimate scale. Visitors that come to Cape Cod can experience and be close to a place that meant so much to JFK during his life.

The Kennedy family has long standing ties with the coastal community of Hyannis Port. Rose and Joseph Kennedy Sr. purchased a six-acre property in Hyannis Port in 1928, and later expanded that parcel of land to house other members of the Kennedy family, including sons, John, Robert, and Ted. This area of Hyannis Port was known as the Summer White House during JFK's presidency, and is now known as the Kennedy Compound.

The museum is housed in a building that was once the Hyannis Town Hall. Standing out in



◀ Plaque outside front door of the Museum



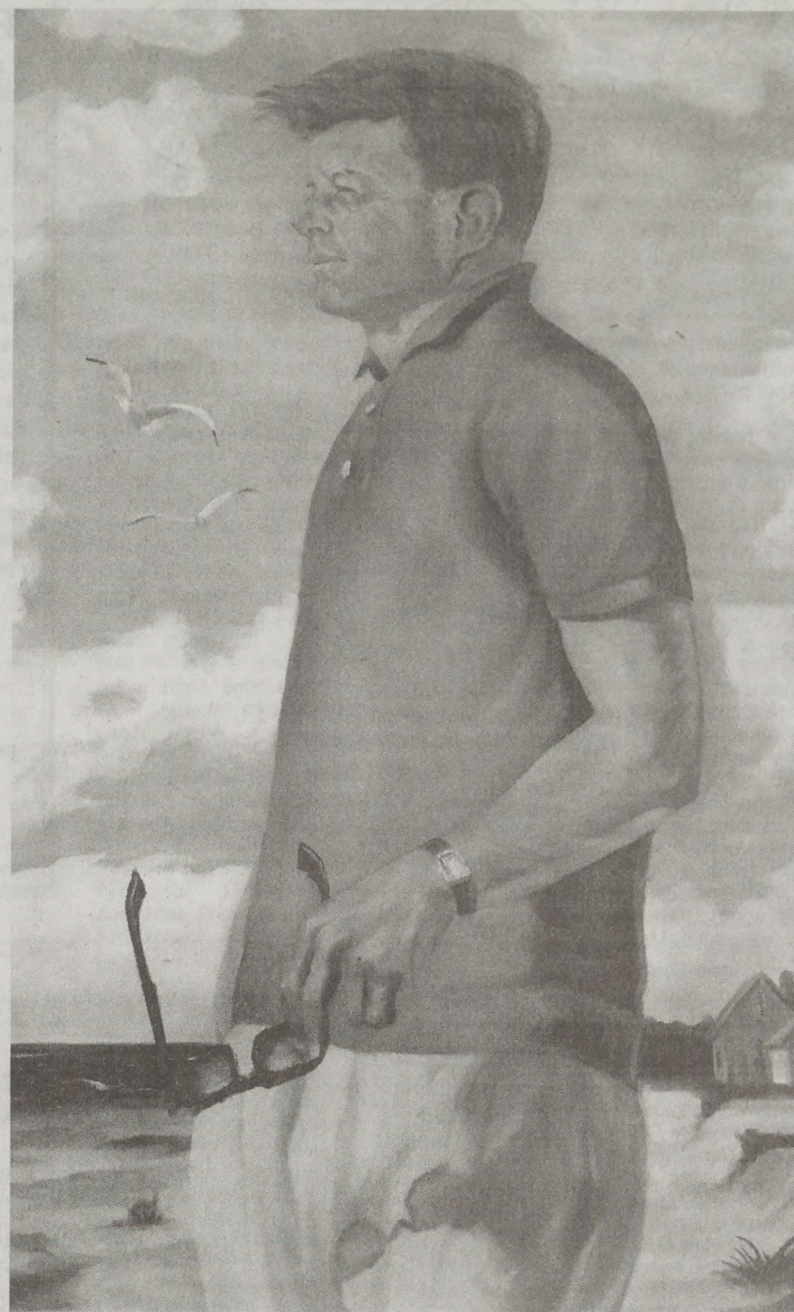
front of this building is a statue of John F. Kennedy, strolling barefoot. You can close your eyes and image young JFK and his family

walking down the streets of Hyannis on a sunny afternoon, perhaps stopping in the exact same place you are standing. It is moments like this that make the intimate setting of this museum the real experience.

The John F. Kennedy Museum in Hyannis offers interactive and changing exhibits. Currently, there are three major exhibits on display.

Creating Camelot: The Kennedy Photography of Jacques Lowe features intimate, behind-the-scenes images of JFK, his wife, Jacqueline, and children, Caroline and John Jr., taken by Kennedy's personal photographer, Jacques Lowe.

The original negatives for nearly all the Lowe's photographs



▲ Painting of JFK on the Beach from entryway of the Museum

◀ Statue in front of Museum

(Heather Burns photos)

were lost forever in the 9/11 attack on the World Trade Center, where Lowe had stored his negatives in a bank vault. Fortunately, the contact sheets for these negatives were stored at a different location, and were able to be digitally restored to museum quality for this exhibit.

Lowe is credited with helping to shape Kennedy's image in the public eye with the more than 40,000 images he took of John and Jacqueline Kennedy, and their children over a three-year period.

Another interesting exhibit is the JFK at 100: Life and Legacy. This exhibit chronicles JFK from childhood to death.

A touching note from son, John, to father, Joseph, titled "Plea for a Raise" asking for a raise in his allowance from 40 cents to 70 cents, including the reasons why this large raise was necessary for the young JFK is one of many items on display.

From relaxed family photos frolicking in the waters of Hyannis Port, to running for a seat in the House of Representatives in Massachusetts 11 District, photos from every major event of JFK's life is represented. A hand illustrated Christmas poem written by young Caroline for Grandpa Joe, even official programs and invitations to inaugu-

ral ceremonies are all part of this fascinating exhibit.

The third current exhibit is Robert F. Kennedy: Ripple of Hope. This display was assembled in collaboration with the RFK Human Rights Foundation, and will be on display through 2019.

This exhibit captures Robert F. Kennedy's contributions to our country through photographs, campaign artifacts, and video and newsreels from his time as Attorney General, his political campaigns and his assassination.

The John F. Kennedy Hyannis Museum also offers lectures, receptions, screenings and book signings. In addition, live webcasts are streamed from the JFK Library in Boston, to encourage public discussion on a range of historical, political, and cultural topics that pertain to the legacy of President and Mrs. Kennedy's years in the White House.

The Museum is open Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday noon to 4 p.m. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors, \$6 for children 8 to 17, and college students with ID. Children 7 and under are free.

For tickets, or more information about exhibits, events or webcasts, call 508-790-3077, or visit www.jfkhyannismuseum.org.

Best ways to get rid of junk mail

By PAIGE IMPINK
News Correspondent
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To compound the avalanche of papers that inundate our homes each day, the holiday season brings its own storm of catalogs and shopping flyers aimed at liberating you from your hard-earned money. No matter what the online shopping industry may tout about its Black Friday and Cyber Monday sales, catalogs still own the "push" marketing arena and manage to infiltrate our homes.

Whether from online merchants or traditional brick and mortar stores, mailboxes are stuffed with postcards, catalogs disguised as lifestyle magazines, endless envelopes of return address labels and plastic pouches with yet more "limited time offers" tucked inside.

Have you ever wondered if there was a way to stop the onslaught? Relief, it seems, is just a click or two away. A company devoted to helping consumers tame the tide of junk mail, Catalog Choice, has helped over two million users cancel specific catalogs and other types of promotional mail for the last

eight years.

The company is focused on reducing the massive and unnecessary paper waste stream that consumes huge amounts of water and energy to produce and recycle junk mail. To opt out, simply create an account with your email and a password.

The company states it has nearly 10,000 titles in its database ranging from clothing brands to credit card companies to charities, and has processed over 640,000 opt-outs. According to calculations by Catalog Choice and the Environmental Paper Network, these opt-outs correspond with "an estimated savings or diversion of 70 million gallons of water, 8.5 million pounds of waste, and over 20 million pounds of CO₂."

Beyond helping the environment, Catalog Choice also claims to protect consumers from scams. In addition to catalogs and coupons, the service can help users get rid of junk mail that uses ads and gimmicks to solicit money by misleading and preying on vulnerable consumers, oftentimes targeting the elderly.

Another group, the Direct Marketing Association, of-

fers an email opt-out service for free which will remove your email address from unsolicited spam retail emails. Go to <https://www.ims-dm.com/cgi/optoutemps.php>. A variety of other services are also available for stopping robo calls and annoying mailers at dmachoice.org, though a fee is charged for some services. Read their website to be clear.

It is important to note that opting out of a catalog can still take several months to fully implement. Sometimes lists and mailing are prepared three months in advance, so be patient. If you are still receiving catalogs you may wish to contact the merchant directly and asked to be removed.

The Federal Trade Commission has a webpage devoted to stopping all types of unwanted offers from bombarding your life, though marketers are working hard to circumvent the rules. Visit <https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/> and look at their Privacy, Identity and Online Security tab to learn about ways to protect yourself from unwelcome email, mail and telephone intrusions.



▲ Buried in paper? Learn ways to dig out from under junk

(Paige Impink photo)

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
CONSERVATION
COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARINGRequest for
Determination of
Applicability

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on December 5, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. in the Tewksbury Town Hall Auditorium, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by Tiffany Socha for a Request for Determination of Applicability for the demolition of an existing garage, and construction of a new garage and breezeway. Proposed work is within the buffer zone of bordering vegetated wetlands. Said property is located at 41 Patten Road, Assessor's Map 50, Lot 124.

The application may be examined in the Community Development Department, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA (978-640-4370 x255), Monday thru Friday 7:30 am - 4:30 pm. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org.

Stefania Gallo
Conservation Agent/
Planner
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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON
BOARD OF APPEALSNOTICE OF
PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing will be held at the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road on Wednesday, December 12, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. on the following applications:

Case 19-18
Lijun Zhu c/o
F. Alex Parra, Esq.
Map 062 Parcel 029

To appeal the decisions of the Inspector of Buildings dated September 14 and September 25, 2018, AirbnB strictly prohibited for property located on 7 Concord Street.

Case 20-18
Keith & Kellie
DeAmbrose
Map 087 Parcel 004H

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.6.7.7 Ground Water Protection District for property located on 10 Nelson Way.

Case 21-18
Robert W. Bentley
Map 100 Parcel 117

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.6.7.7 Ground Water Protection District for property located on 85 Park Street.

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held in Room 9, Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA at 7:10 p.m. on Monday, December 10, 2018 by the Board of Selectmen in compliance with General Laws Chapter 140, Section 59, on the application of Daniel H. Fogg, DJ Auto Sales, LLC for a Class II Vehicle Sales License to allow the sale of second hand motor vehicles at 121 Main Street, Wilmington, Massachusetts in accordance with Section 4.1.13 of the Zoning By-Laws of the Town of Wilmington.

Kevin A. Cairn,
Chairman
Board of Selectmen
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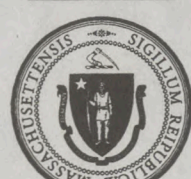
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CITATION GIVING
NOTICE OF PETITION
FOR APPOINTMENT
OF GUARDIAN FOR
INCAPACITATED
PERSON PURSUANT
TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304

Docket No.
M118P5579GD

In the matter of:
David Allen
Of: Tewksbury, MA
RESPONDENT
Alleged Incapacitated
Person

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Willow

Manner of Lowell, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that David Allen is in need of a Guardian and requesting that Sara Spooner of Natick, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve on the bond.

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 12/11/2018. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by

the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

WITNESS, Hon. Edward F. Donnelly, Jr., First Justice of this Court.
Date: November 13, 2018

Tara E. DeCristofaro
Register of Probate
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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND
FAMILY COURTMIDDLESEX DIVISION
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

Docket No.
M118P5562EA

Estate of:
William D. McIntosh, Jr.
Date of Death:
04/06/2018

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Janice C. Nigro of Newburyport MA a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Janice C. Nigro of Newburyport MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

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LEGAL NOTICE

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

MASSACHUSETTS
DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION
— HIGHWAY DIVISIONNOTICE OF A
PUBLIC HEARING
Project File No. 609038

A Design Public Hearing will be held by MassDOT to discuss the proposed Intersection Improvements at Andover Street, (Route 133) and River Road project in Tewksbury, MA.

WHERE:
Tewksbury Town Hall,
in the Main Hall
1009 Main Street
Tewksbury, MA 01876

WHEN: Tuesday,
December 11, 2018 @
7:00 PM

PURPOSE:
The purpose of this hearing is to provide the public with the opportunity to become fully acquainted with the proposed Intersection Improvements at Andover Street, (Route 133) and River Road Project. All views and comments made at the hearing will be reviewed and considered to the maximum extent possible.

PROPOSAL:

The proposed project consists of improvements to intersection safety, access and capacity, pedestrian facilities, bicycle accommodations and roadway rehabilitation. The proposed improvements include the installation of a fully-actuated traffic signal; re-alignment of the north and south intersection approaches; minor widening of Andover St to provide a 4-lane cross section west of the intersection, and a 3-lane cross section east of the intersection. Bicycle lanes and sidewalks on both sides have been provided in accordance with applicable design guidelines.

A secure right-of-way is necessary for this project. Acquisitions in fee and permanent or temporary easements may be required. The town is responsible for acquiring all needed rights in private or public lands. MassDOT's policy concerning land acquisitions will be discussed at this hearing.

Written views received by MassDOT subsequent to the date of this notice and up to five (5) days prior to the date of the hearing shall be displayed for public inspection and copying

at the time and date listed above. Plans will be on display one-half hour before the hearing begins, with an engineer in attendance to answer questions regarding this project. A project hand-out will be made available on the MassDOT website listed below.

Written statements and other exhibits in place of, or in addition to, oral statements made at the Public Hearing regarding the proposed undertaking are to be submitted to Patricia A. Leavenworth, P.E., Chief Engineer, MassDOT, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116, Attention: Roadway Project Management, Project File No. 609038. Such submissions will also be accepted at the hearing. Mailed statements and exhibits intended for inclusion in the public hearing transcript must be postmarked within ten (10) business days of this Public Hearing. Project inquiries may be emailed to dot.feedback@highway.state.ma.us.

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LEGAL NOTICE

MORTGAGEE'S
SALE OF
REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage dated September 30, 2005 given by Andrea M. Taylor f/k/a Andrea M. Paglia to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Reliant Mortgage Company, LLC recorded in Middlesex County Registry of Deeds (Northern District) at Book 19377, Page 106, as affected by Loan Modification Agreement recorded July 8, 2013 at Book 27462, Page 117 and by Modification Agreement recorded May 23, 2017 in Book 31136, Page 135, the undersigned Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, as trustee of Upland Mortgage Loan Trust A being the present holder of said mortgage by Assignment of Mortgage from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Reliant Mortgage Company, LLC to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association recorded in Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 26140, Page 249, Assignment of Mortgage from JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association to Specialized Loan Servicing LLC recorded in Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 30216, Page 67, Assignment of Mortgage

from Specialized Loan Servicing LLC to Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, as trustee of Upland Mortgage Loan Trust A recorded in Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 31232, Page 56, and Confirmatory Assignment of Mortgage from Specialized Loan Servicing LLC to Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, as trustee of Upland Mortgage Loan Trust A recorded in Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 32315, Page 274, for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction at:

12:00 P.M. on Thursday,
December 13, 2018

upon the hereinafter-described premises, known as and numbered as 6 Bond Street, Wilmington, Middlesex County (Northern District), Massachusetts, all and singularly the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

The land in Wilmington, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, together with the buildings thereon, situated on Bond Avenue, being shown as Lot C-1 on a plan entitled "Plan of Land surveyed by William D. Howell, Wilmington, Mass.", by A.N. Eames, Surveyor, dated August 20, 1951, and duly recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 81, Plan 63.

For my title, see deed recorded at Book 6665, Page 167.

TERMS OF SALE: The highest bidder shall be required to make a deposit of \$10,000.00 to the holder of said Mortgage, in cash or by certified or bank cashier's check at the time and place of said sale of said premises. The balance of the purchase price is to be paid to said holder in cash, by certified check or bank cashier's check, and thereupon the deed shall be delivered, in thirty (30) days from the date of sale at the firm of Cunningham, Mechanic, Cetlin, Johnson, Harney & Tenney, LLP, Attorneys for said holder, 220 North Main Street, Suite 301, Natick, Massachusetts. The successful bidder shall be required to sign a Memorandum of Terms of Sale. The description of the premises contained in said Mortgage shall control in the event of an error in publication. Other terms, if any, to be announced at the time and place of sale.

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AS TRUSTEE OF
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Present Holder of
Said Mortgage,
By its Attorneys,
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MORTGAGEE'S
NOTICE OF SALE
OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Daniel J. Brandano and Colleen A. Brandano to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., its successors and assigns, dated March 3, 2005 and recorded with the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 18481, Page 45, subsequently assigned to The Bank of New York Mellon, f/k/a, the Bank of New York, as Trustee for certificateholders of the CWABS, Inc., Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2005-3 by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. by assignment recorded in said Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 25268, Page 22 for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for

the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at 11:00 AM on December 5, 2018 at 7 Avon Street, Wilmington, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

The land in Wilmington, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, being more particularly shown as Lots numbered six hundred fifty-three through six hundred fifty-five (653-655) and lots numbered six hundred sixty through six hundred seventy-four (660-674) all inclusive, as shown on a plan of land entitled, "Wilmington Manor" dated September 1909, prepared by H.A. Millhouse, C.E., and recorded with the Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds at Plan Book 27, Plan 7, to which plan reference is hereby made for a more particular description of said lots. Being the same premises conveyed to the herein named grantor(s) by deed recorded with the Middlesex County Registry of Deeds in Book 7285 Page 198.

The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, encroachments, building and zoning laws, liens, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants and parties in possession, and attorney's fees and costs.

TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or money order will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee's attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend

the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. **TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE.**

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

The Bank of New York Mellon, f/k/a, the Bank of New York, as Trustee for certificateholders of the CWABS, Inc., Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2005-3

Present Holder of said Mortgage,
By its Attorneys,
ORLANDO PC
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Waltham, MA 02454
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LEGAL NOTICE

MORTGAGEE'S
SALE OF
REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Charles Quinton to Washington Mutual Bank, FA, dated September 30, 1999 and recorded in Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 10439, Page 226 (the "Mortgage") of which mortgage The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association f/k/a The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A. as successor to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Trustee for Mortgage Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2006-RP3 dated November 12, 2012 recorded in Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 26687, Page 70 and corrective assignment from The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association f/k/a The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A., as successor to JP Morgan Chase Bank N.A. as Trustee for Mortgage Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2006-RP3 dated November 12, 2012 recorded in Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 19277, Page 35; assignment from Homecomings Financial Network, Inc. dated February 14, 2005 recorded in Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 19277, Page 35; assignment from Homecomings Financial Network, Inc. to The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association f/k/a The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A., as successor to JP Morgan Chase Bank N.A. as Trustee for Mortgage Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2006-RP3 dated July 30, 2010 recorded in Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 24340, Page 259 and corrective assignment from Homecomings Financial, LLC f/k/a Homecomings Financial Network Inc. to The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association f/k/a The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A. as successor to JPMorgan Chase Bank N.A. as Trustee for Mortgage Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2006-RP3 dated October 3, 2017 recorded in Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 32027, Page 211, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 2 Summer Street, Wilmington, MA 01887 will be sold at a Public Auction at 1:00 PM on December 19, 2018, at the mortgaged premises,

es, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

That certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated in Wilmington, Middlesex County, Massachusetts and shown as Lot 1A on a plan entitled "Plan of Land, Wilmington, Mass. Prepared for Larry Walsh, Scale: 1" = 40', Dated: July 1, 1999, Troy, Mede & Associates, 936 East St., Tewksbury, MA.", which said plan is recorded with the Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds herewith, and said Lot 1A is more particularly bounded and described according to said plan as follows:

SOUTHWESTERLY by Summer Street, as shown on said plan, 463.06 feet to a point, thence along a curve, as shown on said plan, a distance of 33.41 feet; **NORTHWESTERLY** by Parcel A, as shown on said plan, on three courses, measuring 30.00 feet, 15.47 feet and 124.54 feet, respectively; **NORTHEASTERLY** by Lot 1B, as shown on said plan, 216.65 feet to a point, thence by Parcel B, as shown on said plan, 179.43 feet; and **SOUTHEASTERLY** by Cobalt Street, as shown on said plan, 120.77 feet.

Said Lot 1A Containing 68,573 square feet of land according to said plan.

For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 10439, Page 224.

The property will be sold subject to the redemption rights in favor of the Internal Revenue Service by virtue of the tax lien(s) recorded in Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 23859, Page 278 and Book 24958, Page 112.

The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

Terms of the Sale: Cash, cashier's or certified check in the sum of \$5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designees) are exempt from this requirement; high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable in cash or by certified check in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee's attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 900 Chelmsford Street, Suite 3102, Lowell, MA 01851 or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association f/k/a The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A. as successor to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Trustee for Residential Asset Mortgage Products, Inc., Mortgage Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates 2006-RP3 Korde & Associates, P.C. 900 Chelmsford Street Suite 3102 Lowell, MA 01851 (978) 256-1500 Quinton, Charles, 12-009722 181467 11/21,28 12/5/18

Wilmington contractor and his companies settle allegations of illegal asbestos work and dumping

BOSTON — A Wilmington contractor and his two companies will pay up to \$125,000 to settle allegations that employees illegally removed and disposed of asbestos and construction debris while demolishing a home in the town, Attorney General Maura Healey announced.

“Construction and demolition work involving asbestos must be done in a safe and legal way to protect workers and the public,” AG Healey said. “We will take action against contractors who illegally dispose of asbestos and put the public at risk of harm.”

The consent judgment, entered Friday in Suffolk Superior Court, settles a lawsuit filed by the AG’s Office that alleges Langone Development Group, Inc. (a contracting company), 3 Holly Street, LLC (the property owner), and Jonathan S. Langone (the president and manager of both companies), violated the state’s clean air law while haphazardly knocking down a single-family house in Wilmington. The lawsuit alleges the defendants failed to remove exterior asbestos shingles from the house and did not take any necessary safety precautions.

The AG’s Office alleges the defendants’ actions caused a visible dust cloud of asbestos to be emitted in the air, putting the health of their workers and residents in the Wilmington neighborhood at risk.

The lawsuit also alleges that the Langone and his employees violated the state’s solid waste management act by illegally dumping large pieces of construction debris in a deep pit they dug on the property, even though they reported that solid waste from their demolition activities would be disposed of at a permitted facility, as required.

“Massachusetts requires protective measures whenever asbestos removal, handling and disposal are involved in order to protect the public from the health hazards associated with airborne asbestos fibers,” said MassDEP Commissioner Martin Suuberg. “Persons who seek to avoid costs by violating applicable laws and regulations will be subject to enforcement including appropriate penalties.”

Under the terms of the settlement, the defendants will pay up to \$125,000 in penalties, with \$25,000 suspended for three years pending compliance with the terms of the agreement.

Asbestos is a mineral fiber that has been used in a wide variety of building materials, from roofing and flooring, to siding and wallboard, to caulking and insulation. If asbestos is improperly handled or maintained, fibers can be released into the air and inhaled, potentially resulting in life-threatening illnesses, including asbestosis, lung cancer, and mesothelioma.

Asbestosis is a serious, progressive, and long-term disease for which there is no known effective treatment. Mesothelioma is a rare form of cancer that is found in the

thin membranes of the lung, chest, abdomen, and heart, that may not show up until many years after exposure, and that has no known cure, although treatment methods are available to address the effects of the disease.

AG Healey has made asbestos safety a priority, as part of the office’s “Healthy Buildings, Healthy Air” initiative that was announced in March 2017 to better protect the health of children, families, and workers in Massachusetts from health risks posed by asbestos. Since September 2016, the AG’s Office, with the assistance of MassDEP, has successfully brought asbestos enforcement cases that together have resulted in more than \$2.8 million in civil penalties.

For more information on asbestos and asbestos-related work, visit MassDEP’s website outlining asbestos construction and demolition notification requirements.

This case was handled by Assistant Attorney General Meghan Davoren of AG Healey’s Environmental Protection Division, with assistance from Senior Regional Counsel Colleen McConnell, Asbestos Program Section Chief John Macauley, and Asbestos Program Environmental Analyst Grady Dante, all of MassDEP’s Northeast Regional Office in Wilmington.



Kids and socks

Wilmington Middle school teacher Brian Cairn in conjunction with the WMS Best Buddies Club sponsored a Sock Drive called “Soxtober” to coincide with the Red Sox being in the playoffs and the Veteran’s Day holiday. For about three weeks we collected new and gently used socks and when the drive ended Friday we had received roughly 700 pairs. All of these socks will be donated to homeless veterans in the Boston Area.

(photo: BruceHilliard.com)

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Breakfast with Mrs. Claus

WILMINGTON — Mrs. Claus stopped by the Wilmington United Methodist Church Christmas Tree Sale to invite all the children to join her for breakfast on Saturday, Dec. 8 at 9 a.m. at the church. The event is sponsored by the United Methodist Men and is open to all the children in Wilmington.

The menu will feature pancakes, eggs, sausages and all the trimmings and Mrs. Claus herself will read a Christmas story to all the children. There is no charge for the meal but donations will gladly be accepted.

Please call the church office at 978-658-4396 or email them at wilmingtonumcof-fice@gmail.com to reserve your spot.

Ahern family continues to support troops

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game with local celebrities in attendance. Among this year’s guests are Medal of Honor recipient and retired Navy Captain Thomas Gunning Kelley; Boston Bruins legend Terry O’Reilly; WERS morning host George Knight; Magic 106.7 morning host David O’Leary; comedian Dave Russo; and Alt 92.9’s Amy Brooks. These public figures and more make up what the Ahern foundation calls the “Honorary Host Committee.”

Ahern explains that the Army vs. Navy football game that is bringing so many people together on Dec. 8 is one full of tradition and history. It’s the 119th game between the football teams from the U.S. Military Academy in West Point, NY and the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, MD.

“Those who serve or are just into the military view [this] as the ultimate college game,” he continued.

As it’s the last game of the season, it also comes with rivalry, since its winner de-

Tax bills rise, but home values higher

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could be found on the town’s website.

Selectman Greg Bendel stated that he supported the measure as a way to help residents. He added that he, too, had spoken with residents grappling with increased tax bills due to rising property values in town. He noted that the decrease in the tax rate came in large part due to budgeting and planning at the local level.

“I would just urge the manager to continue to take a conservative approach, as he has, so that we can do right by residents,” Bendel said.

Wilmington’s Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony

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Look for alternatives to romaine for now

LETTUCE FROM PAGE 1

Mexico are safe and are not linked to illness. The FDA is discussing options with industry stakeholders and is urging point of origin and harvest date to be included on lettuce packaging.

Additionally, a statement as to whether the lettuce has been grown hydroponically or not will be included.

Holiday meals were impacted as word of the health advisory spread. Alternatives were featured in produce aisles such as baby spinach, arugula, iceberg lettuce, hydroponic lettuce and kale.

Locally, the impact on grocery chains and restaurants was felt. Tracy Holden, co-owner of The Pushcart Café, said that as soon as their vendors alerted them, they pulled the romaine off the salad bar and sandwich line and returned it to their vendor. Holden's vendor gave a refund, which was helpful, as the replacement iceberg lettuce shot up in price due to demand.

"We put notices up for our customers and offered them iceberg and green leaf lettuce instead," she said.

Holden said that customers were understanding and appreciated the store being proactive. Holden said that the café only uses romaine from Arizona, an area ultimately deemed not the source of the contaminated lettuce, but pulled it per the FDA recommendations.

"We will put it out again as soon as the product is cleared and available from our suppliers," she said.

Holden also emphasized that Pushcart triple washes all of their produce, and

that food safety is a top priority. She expects them to have romaine later this week.

Michael Maguire, Director of Produce Operations for Market Basket, said product was pulled last Tuesday, as soon as the notification from the Centers for Disease Control and the FDA were issued. Maguire said there are no romaine-based products in the stores yet, but they are hoping to have it by the weekend.

"All 88 stores had all product pulled," and Maguire explained that mixed salad suppliers had to go back and reformulate.

"Some mixes use baby romaine, so they found substitutes" he said. "Iceberg, green and red leaf, Boston lettuce, and others were still available for customers."

Tewksbury Health Department Director Susan Sawyer said that she believes the new labeling requirements will give the producers and the FDA a better chance of pinpointing issues.

"Consumers should know that going forward, romaine lettuce will be labeled with harvest location and date. So, if you don't see this information, they should not eat or use it," said Sawyer, reiterating the FDA guidelines.

The FDA tracks food borne illness and outbreaks and issues warnings to the public about salmonella and E.coli findings. Products such as shell eggs, greens, melons, seafood and cake mixes have all had warnings issued by the FDA in 2018.

To sign up for regular email updates from the FDA, go to <http://go.fda.gov/subscriptionmanagement>.



▲ Lizzy Hill, Kara Bernardo, Amanda Bonnette-Kim, and Connor Burke (Courtesy photos)

WHS Class of 2013 five-year reunion

By **LIZZY HILL**
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — Alumni from the Wilmington High School Class of 2013 met on Friday night at a bar in downtown Boston for their first reunion. Most of them hadn't seen each other in the past five years since they all graduated, especially not all together. The event was held at Howl at the Moon and cost \$10 per alumnus and \$15 per guest.

An estimated 80 or 90 members from the Class of 2013 came out to catch up and to listen to the live band playing that night, according to former Class President Wayne Huynh. Huynh organized the entire event by himself for all of his classmates.

Upon showing their ID, everyone received two drink

tickets and stepped into a private section at the bar. Huynh received most of the payments in advance on Venmo, and the rest of the money for the space came from their leftover class funds from five years ago.

Having graduated with a degree in Biomedical Engineering from Boston University in 2017, Huynh considered a number of familiar places before he ultimately chose Howl at the Moon.

"I knew classes in prior years typically did something in Boston... living close by and going to school at BU helped give me an idea of which places to reach out to," he shared in a Facebook message.

From there, he chose the best available for the most fun with the budget he had.

Before making the reserva-



▲ Wayne Huynh, left, and Andrew Sears

tion, he sent out a Facebook invite to let everyone from his graduating class know about his plans. He capitalized on Nov. 23 as a date that anyone living out of town might be home or be able to come home for the reunion.

Facebook was really the only way that he let people know about the event; he explained that he was hoping that anyone he'd missed would be reached by word of mouth.

"I certainly didn't expect as many people to attend that did... I doubted a lot of people had interest."

Instead, social media had kept plenty of people connected and he was thoroughly impressed by the turnout.

Huynh described that the event went smoothly, despite starting with uncertainty.

"I think most people were a

little cautious about coming back for a five year reunion," he continued. "Everyone was incredibly friendly with each other as I'm sure those who knew our class would have expected."

The best part for him was seeing how well all of the people he'd gone to school with together in one place, connecting like no time had passed.

The total experience for him was nostalgic, as it was for a lot of those in attendance, including this reporter.

"Seeing everyone getting along really brought me back to why high school was so great," Huynh said.

The success and feedback that he's received since that night is setting the bar high for the next time the WHS Class of 2013 gets together.

A service of remembrance and hope

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during this season of HOPE. Come to the Wilmington United Methodist Church, 87 Church St., Wilmington on

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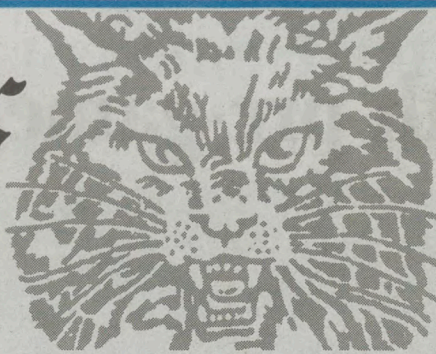
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Redmen remain red-hot on Turkey Day despite the cold temperatures

Top Wildcats, 43-0, for ninth straight win in 85th meeting

By JAMIE POTE
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WILMINGTON - For the Tewksbury Redmen, this was nothing but a quick pit-stop before getting back on the road and head to Foxboro.

For Wilmington, this was a real tough one to take on the chin, but with hopes that a year or two down the line, this loss will possibly be a game that turns the program completely around.

Last Thursday morning in a blistery 16 degree day with winds gusting close to 20 miles per hour, the two rival football teams met at Alumni Field for the 85th time. With about a third of the normal crowd on hand for the holiday contest, the ones who withstood the freezing temperatures, saw the Redmen completely dominate a very young and inexperienced Wildcat team to a final score of 43-0.

Tewksbury scored four touchdowns in the first half, before adding two more in their first two offensive series of the third quarter. Wilmington was never able to get the ball past midfield and finished the game with 63 total yards and four turnovers.

This was the ninth straight win for the Redmen in this series. They now have won 60 percent of the meetings with a mark of 51-27-7. This was also Tewksbury's biggest win over the 'Cats in terms of margin of victory since the 44-0 win back in 1937. The win also marked the 12th victory by shut out, including two in a row outscoring Wilmington 71-0, while in the last four contests, Tewksbury has outscored the 'Cats 125-15.

This was also Tewksbury's most lopsided victory since beating Lowell 42-0 in 2000.

With Wilmington realistically looking at next year's season and Tewksbury looking at this Saturday's opponent Springfield Central, it was difficult for these two teams to dial up the intensity usually seen against one another, especially in the miserable conditions. Despite that, the Redmen didn't overlook the 'Cats and certainly kept things respectable.

"I'm just happy that these guys came out to play," said Redmen head coach Brian Aylward. "It's not an easy thing with so many beautiful things to look at on the horizon and to stay focused on what we had to do here."

Tewksbury scored the four touchdowns in the first half on a 17-yard run, a 30-yard interception return, a blocked punt recovered in the end zone and then on a 14-yard pass to Connor Brincklow.

Wilmington was missing about seven or eight starters/experienced players, who were all out due to injuries and were forced to play a lot of underclassmen, who had barely any varsity experience.

"Honestly, in that first half, I was really proud of the way we played," said Wildcat head coach Craig Turner. "I thought our kids really hung in there. Against that type of team, I wouldn't have surprised if it was 60-yard run after 60-yard run. We were making them earn it and making them work for it. They just wore us down with some long drives."

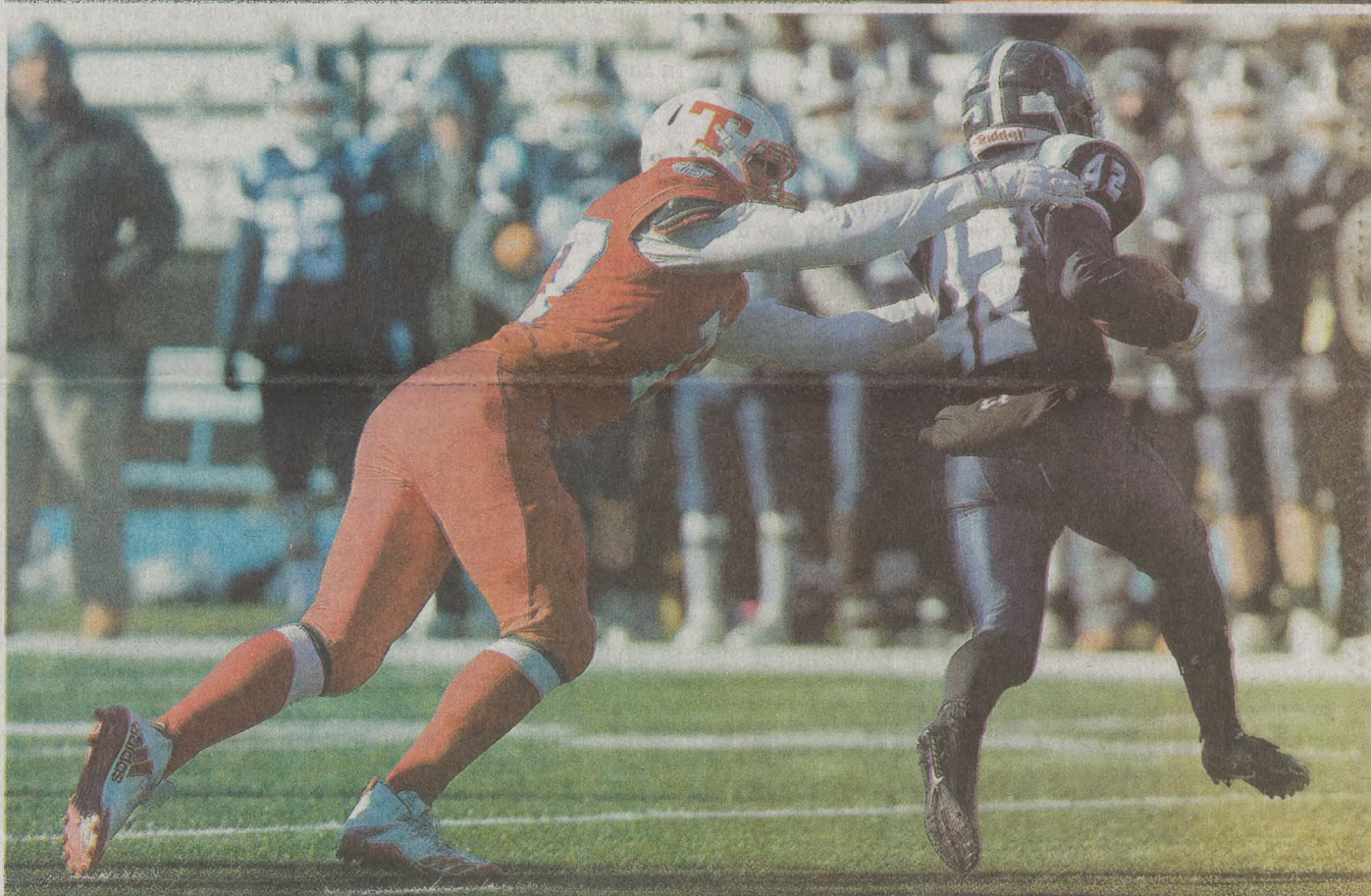
"I thought our kids were prepared and played hard, but that's a tough match-up this year."

Besides the victory, Tewksbury also celebrated two other milestones on the day as Coach Aylward won his 150th game and his son Shane broke assistant coach Tom Bradley's 30-year single season reception record with his 50th catch.

The Redmen also had a handful of big plays on the field, including the interception return by captain Jack Kelly and the blocked punt by Connor Nugent, who then pounced on the ball in the end zone for the touchdown.

"It was great that we were able to make some big plays," said coach Aylward. "The punt block touchdown was awesome for Nugent. He is such a good kid. He has come close to those a lot over the last few years. He had a half of one earlier this year, so today I said 'hey it's the first one he got on his own', so that was good."

For Wilmington, senior back Peter Marino, who the week before made an incredible milestone of his own



going over the 1,000-yard plateau, was quickly covered up by a handful of Tewksbury defensive linemen whenever he carried the ball. He had 27 yards on 11 carries.

In the air, Wilmington had a number of dropped passes, had a successful completion called back on a penalty in their opening series and just could never get anything going, completing just 2-of-15 attempts for 18 yards.

"It was a really tough stretch for the kids," said Turner, eluding to the team's six-game losing streak to end the season. "I thought they really came out and played hard today, really did. In the second half, it fell down a little bit when it started to sink in that things were slipping away, but I mean credit to (Tewksbury).

They played all of their kids and our kids gave them some resistance. We showed up to play but we were just out-gunned against that type of team."

Leading 29-0 at half, Tewksbury added two more scores in the second half as Shane Aylward ran one in from 46 yards out, and that allowed both teams to be able to rotate the rest of their dressed players into the game the rest of the way.

Tewksbury's up and coming signal caller Ryne Rametta (named after Hall of Fame second baseman

Ryne Sandberg) relieved All-Scholastic QB Jay Connolly and tossed a four-yard completion to senior Brandon Pote and two plays after that, Tyler Keough scored the game's final TD

on a 33-yard run. He also booted five PAT kicks, while Shane Aylward tossed a conversion pass to Derek Graffeo on the team's third TD.

(all photos by Bob DeChiara).

Redmen were off and running

Starting top of the page and going clockwise, Wilmington's Gavin Erickson tries to handle the ball with Tewksbury's Patrick Fleming on pursuit; Tewksbury's Connor Nugent tracking down Wilmington's Peter Marino; Tyler Keough, Jack Kelly, Shane Darrigo carrying the ball for the Redmen.



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Thanksgiving Day Game Notebook

‘Salvi’ Woods honored with pre-game coin flip ceremony

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

WILMINGTON – Minutes before the Wilmington and Tewksbury Football teams were to compete in the 85th annual contest, a handful of former players, townspeople, game officials and game captains gathered at midfield for an honorary coin flip in honor of a former WHS player, Billy "Salvi" Woods, who had passed away the weekend of November 17th.

Thanks to Salvi's good pal Pat Nally, both the Wilmington and Tewksbury teams wore a "No. 7" decal on the backs of their helmets to remember the the former three-sport athlete at WHS, who truly cherished his playing days, while taking a lot of pride in supporting the high school teams after he had graduated in 1985.

Salvi's brother Danny, another former WHS Football player, as well as their cousins, Tommy, David and Michael Woods, all took part in the coin flip ceremony.

Salvi Woods passed away at the age of 51 after a courageous battle with Scleroderma, which shuts down the body's liver function.

"In Salvi's playing days, he was a model of perseverance as a three-sport star, while managing the insulin dependent diabetes," said Nally.

Nally recalled the 1984 Thanksgiving Day game when his longtime friend led the Wildcats to an 9-7 victory.

"The opposing quarterback that day was Robbie Aylward, who is one of the current assistant coaches on the Tewksbury staff," noted Nally. "Also on the field that day was a middle linebacker and then budding sophomore star Brian Aylward, who is the current head coach at Tewksbury."

After leading Wilmington to that Turkey Day victory, Salvi then put on his skates and helped lead the Wildcats to the Boston Garden, in the State Championship game against Christopher Columbus High School.

Then in the spring, he served as a captain of the baseball team under Hall of Fame Coach Dick Scanlon.

Salvi then went on to Merrimack College was the first quarterback in the history of the program. He leaves behind his wife Eileen and their two children Casey and Patrick.

Besides wearing the No. 7 in honor of Salvi, the Tewksbury players also wore a 'JM' decal in honor of the late State Representative Jim Miceli.

FINAL GAME FOR 13

Thursday marked the final game in the careers of 13 Wilmington High School players including: Jordan Olatilu, captain Andrew Sullivan, captain Connor Benoit, Colin Rooney, Stephen Anthony, Devin Clerico, placekicker Adam Bishop, captain Peter Marino, Chris Medeiros, Nicholas Kullman, Tyler Thomas, captain Kyle Kenyon and Jason Marquard.

"It's a good group (of seniors)," said second-year Wildcat head coach Craig Turner. "I'm going to miss them. It was fun coming to practice everyday as tough as the season was. I never once dreaded coming to practice or a game. I said before that I have been on good teams that didn't want to go to practice and these kids weren't like that at all. They showed up everyday at practice, attendance was never an issue, they showed up, worked hard and played hard."

"We are down a lot of key kids and we got a couple back today, but that just masked what our team's season was like all season. We were just always down a lot of people. A lot of young kids who didn't have any or much varsity experience, were asked to step up and today it was against a potential Division 3 state championship team, so I'm proud of our kids today. I really am."

BRIGHT FUTURE

While Turner and the 'Cats suffered through some long defeats this season, the coach is pretty thrilled about the possibilities of



Before the Thanksgiving Day Game started, a special ceremony was held at midfield to honor the late Billy 'Salvi' Woods, a former WHS quarterback and three-sport athlete who had passed away the week earlier. Salvi's brother Danny, as well as cousins Tommy, David and Michael Woods, were the family's representatives and took part in the coin flip. Watching along includes the game's official Bill Donahue, Tewksbury captains Zach Weitz (59), Jay Connolly, Trace Trant and Jack Kelly, as well as the Wilmington captains including Kyle Kenyon, who was dressed in street clothes due to an injury that cost him the rest of the season. (photo by Bob DeChiara).

next year – if healthy. The 'Cats will return several current juniors, in particular Bailey Smith and Dean Nally as well as a handful of linemen who have varsity experience.

"We have a real good current freshman class," said Turner. "Next year we will be young but I think we may be more of a dynamic group in the skill positions. These kids have a little bit more speed and more wiggle to them, and we don't have a lot of that with our older kids. We also have a ton of kids coming back on our offensive and defensive lines, and linebackers. I think it sets up to be a really good year."

"I really like our young kids. I think we have a chance to really improve on this. I have been a part of teams where we went 3-7 or 3-8 and came back went deep, deep into the playoffs so it certainly happens all of the time."

"We dominated Gloucester in the first round of the playoffs last year, 30-0 and they won the (Division 4) North Sectional. So we are just going to keep at it. We have a group of kids returning who we really like and we have a real good group of incoming freshmen coming in. We are starting to build this thing."

"I'm not saying we got lucky, but we had a great senior class last year. We knew that the rebuild wasn't going to be that simple and it was going to take some time, so I don't want to say it

was a little bit of Fool's Gold, but we knew that the depth of the program, that we had a lot of work to do in that regard. We're still working at it and we'll get there."

While Turner was answering questions from this reporter, he stood in the 16 or so degree weather in shorts. A tradition, like other high school coaches in various sports, Turner wears shorts in every game he coaches.

"I'm pretty much numb right now," he said with a big laugh.

TURNER, NO. 12

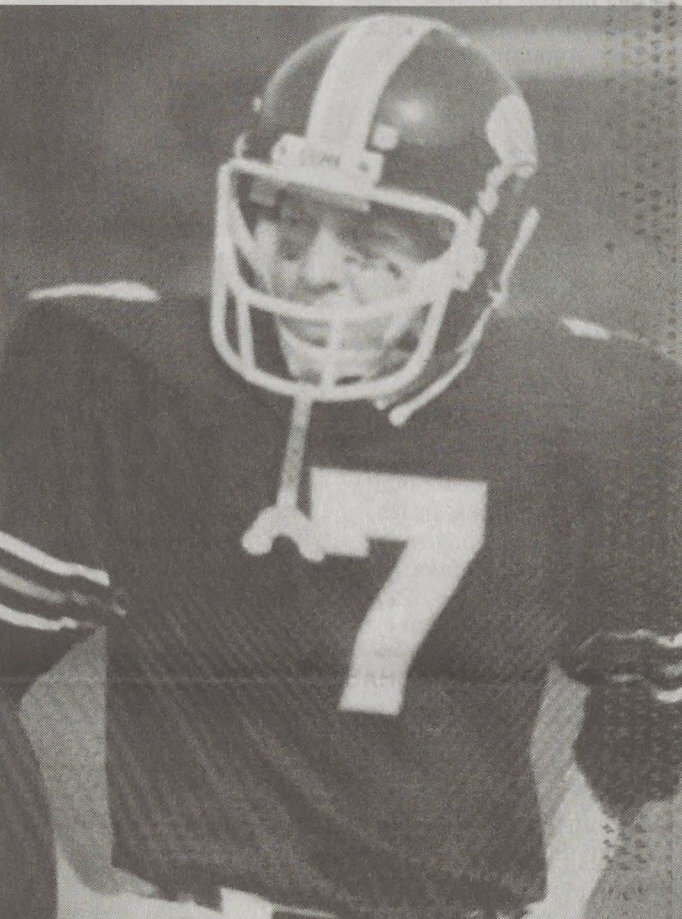
When Craig Turner was introduced as head coach back in February of 2017, it was thought at the time that he was the 10th coach in the history of the program but research has found that he is the 12th coach.

Johnny Grinell was the first coach in 1935. Harold "Ding" Driscoll took over from 1936-1946, followed by: Anthony DeTesto (47-48), Ed Palmeiri (49), Connie O'Doherty (50-55), Fred Bellissimo (56-77), John Ritchie (78-82), Ed Harrison (83-93), Gerry Sullivan (1994-95), Bob Almeida (1996-2007) and Mike Barry (2008-2016).

Bellissimo holds the mark for wins with 121, followed by Almeida with 103 and Mike Barry was third with 47.

NO CHEERING FROM THE PRESS BOX ...

While I graduated from Wilmington High School and



Salvi Woods as QB of the Wildcats during the 1985 season. (courtesy photo).

The 31st annual College Football Recruiting Night, December 4

The 31st annual Eastern Massachusetts and Southern New Hampshire College Football Recruiting Night will be held on Tuesday, December 4 from 7-9 pm at the Tewksbury Country Club, 1880 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA (Phone: 978-851-3599). Several area colleges and eastern colleges will be in attendance. All senior football players are encouraged to attend. There is no cost involved to players.

If you have questions, please call Ron Drouin, Tewksbury Memorial High School: Tel.: 978-640-7825, ext 2004, Fax: 978-640-7833 or Email: Ron Drouin: rrdrouin@tewksbury.k12.ma.us; or Ed Harrison: edharrison81@gmail.com; or Brian Hickey: bhickey61@gmail.com; or Bob Aylward: leftybob@comcast.net.

Turkey Game Box Score

TEWKSBURY 43, WILMINGTON 0					
Tewksbury (11-1)	14	15	14	0	-43
Wilmington (3-8)	0	0	0	0	-00
T: Kyle Darrigo 17 run (Tyler Keough kick)					
T: Jack Kelly 30 interception return (Keough kick)					
T: Connor Nugent blocked punt recovered in end zone (Derek Graffeo pass from Shane Aylward)					
T: Connor Brincklow 14 pass from Jay Connolly (Keough kick)					
T: Aylward 46 run (Keough kick)					
T: Keough 33 run (Keough kick)					

Team Stats			
T	W		
First Downs	16	3	
Rushes-Yards	27-208	19-43	
Pass-Att-Int	8-10-1	2-15-2	
Passing Yards	58	18	
Total Yards	266	61	
Penalties-Yards	0-0	2-11	
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	3-2	

Individual Stats
Passing: T, Jay Connolly 7-for-9, 53 yards, 1 TD, 1 INT; Ryne Rametta 1-for-1, 5 yards; W, Andrew Sullivan 2-for-15, 18 yards, 0 TDs, 2 INTs.

Rushing: T, Shane Aylward 5-69, 1 TD; Tyler Keough 2-39, 1 TD; Kyle Darrigo 3-31, 1 TD; Kyle Zervas 2-23; Kalu Olu 2-22; Jack Kelly 4-12; William McKay 2-6; Cameron Cimmino 1-5; Patrick Fleming 2-3; Sean Fahey 1-1; Jay Connolly 2-0; Richie LaVargna 1-0; Ethan Exilhomme 1 - (-3); W, Peter Marino 11-27; Peter DiAdamo 2-15; Connor Benoit 1-1; Andrew Sullivan 3-0; Bailey Smith 2-0.

Receiving: T, Connor Brincklow 2-27, 1 TD; Josh Sughrue 1-10; Kyle Zervas 1-9; Shane Aylward 3-7; Brandon Pote 1-4; W, Peter Marino 1-9; Stephen Smolinsky 1-9.

Wilmington Season Stats

Wilmington	34	35	35	59	- 163
Opponents	91	108	26	25	- 250
Team Stats					
W			Opp*		
First Downs:	98		95		
Rushes/Yards:	306-1,259		286-1,622		
Pass-Att-Int:	82-197-16		57-119-7		
Passing Yards:	922		901		
Total Yards:	2,181		2,523		
Fumbles-lost:	22-15		10-9		
Penalties-yards:	26-196*		41-375		

*Does not include Somerville game.

Individual Stats
Passing: Andrew Sullivan 77-for-175, 839 yards, 9 TD's, 14 INTs; Tristan Ciampa 5-for-19, 82 yards; Stephen Anthony 0-for-2, 0 yards, 1 INT; Christian Robarge 0-for-1, 0 yards, 1 INT.

Rushing: Peter Marino 199-1,031, 8 TD's; Kyle Vallee 20-80; Bailey Smith 8-50; Connor Benoit 14-35; Andrew Sullivan 39-14, 3 TDs; Peter DiAmbo 2-15; Devin Clerico 3-14; Tristan Ciampa 10-10; Pedro Germano 2-2; Domenick DeMonico 2-1, Stephen Smolinsky 3 (-1); Jordan Olatilu 5 (-2).

Receiving: Kyle Kenyon 19-312, 3 TD's; Connor Benoit 28-181, 3 TD's; Stephen Anthony 10-107; 1 TD; Peter Marino 7-113; Christian Robarge 2-59; Jason Marquard 5-47; John Germano 4-42, 1 TD; Colin Rooney 2-29; Stephen Smolinsky 3-14; Bailey Smith 1-7, 1 TD.

Scoring: Peter Marino 8 TD's, 48 points; Adam Bishop 15 PAT's, 2 field goals, 21 points; Connor Benoit 3 TD's, 1 conversion, 20 points; Kyle Kenyon 3 TD's, 18 points; Andrew Sullivan 3 TDs, 18 points; John Germano 1 TD, 1 conversion, 8 points; Bailey Smith 1 TD, 6 points; Joseph DeMonico 1 TD, 6 points; Stephen Anthony 1 TD, 6 points; Kyle Vallee 1 TD, 6 points; Jared Venezia, 1 Def TD, 6 points.

Compiled by Mike Ippolito, Jamie Pote and Dan Zimmerman.

TMHS FOOTBALL SEASON STATS

Tewksbury	70	101	110	50	-331
Opponents	17	60	38	47	-152
Team Stats					
Opp			T		
First Downs	114		179		
Rushes-Yards	290-997		415-2,194		
Pass-Att-Int	105-241-16		101-165-7		
Passing Yards	1,313		1,813		
Total Yards	2,310		3,978		
Fumbles-lost	12-7		12-8		
Penalties-yards	44-355		54-422		

Individual Stats
Passing: Jay Connolly 93-for-158, 1,656 yards, 16 TDs, 7 INTs; Shane Aylward 3-for-4, 87 yards, 1 TD; Ryne Rametta 4-for-4, 70 yards;

Rushing: Jack Kelly 105-596, 5 TDs; Shane Aylward 79-538, 5 TDs; Kyle Zervas 72-349, 5 TDs; Kyle Darrigo 42-317, 5 TDs; Jay Connolly 76-177, 7 TDs; Kalu Olu 21-138, 1 TD; Tyler Keough 5-47, 1 TD; Patrick Fleming 6-17; William McKay 2-6; Cameron Cimmino 1-5; Jake Kaiser 2-3; Josh Sughrue 1-3; Sean Fahey 1-1; Richie LaVargna 1-0; Ethan Exilhomme 1 - (-3).

Receiving: Shane Aylward 51-1,053, 9 TDs; Josh Sughrue 15-270, 3 TDs; Kyle Zervas 13-180, 1 TD; Jack Kelly 12-169, 1 TD; Connor Brincklow 6-107, 2 TDs; Tyler Keough 2-25; Kyle Darrigo 1-5; Brandon Pote 1-4.

Scoring: Shane Aylward 14 TDs, 1 conversion, 86 points; Kyle Zervas 7 TDs, 42 points; Jay Connolly 7 TDs, 42 points; Tyler Keough 1 TD, 40 PATs (3 misses), 1 FG, 49 points; Jack Kelly 6 TDs, 1 conversion catch, 1 Def TD, 44 points; Kyle Darrigo 5 TDs, 30 points; Josh Sughrue 2 TDs, 12 points; Connor Brincklow 2 TDs, 12 points; Kalo Olu 1 TD, 6 points; Connor Nugent, 1 Def TD, 6 points; Derek Graffeo 1 conversion, 2 points.

Seventh grader selected to compete at lacrosse tournament in Florida

Michael Lawler, of Wilmington, has been selected to the Mass Bay Colonials U14 boy's lacrosse team and will travel to Florida Dec 1-2 to compete in the Orlando Lacrosse Open. Lawler was selected from over 200 athletes from 125 town lacrosse programs from Central and Eastern Massachusetts.

"The Mass Bay Colonials" is an extension of our community-based youth league and was founded to promote town-based lacrosse and the elite athletes who commit to their communities each spring," said Joey Picard, Colonials GM and Director of MBYLL Operations.

Lawler, is a seventh grade student, who plays midfield for the Colonials.

In addition to performance at the tryouts, players submitted recommendations from coaches, teachers, and community leaders to earn a spot from the selection committee. The Mass Bay Colonials seek to not only bring the most talented youth lacrosse players from Massachusetts, but the players who can proudly represent our state on-and-off the field.

The U14 Blue Team will be led by head coach Matt James. James is the head coach at Melrose High School and was named the 2018 Eastern Mass Lacrosse Coach's Association Coach of the Year. James will be assisted by Chris Gugino, an MBYLL Select League

coach and former midfielder at Endicott College in Beverly, MA.

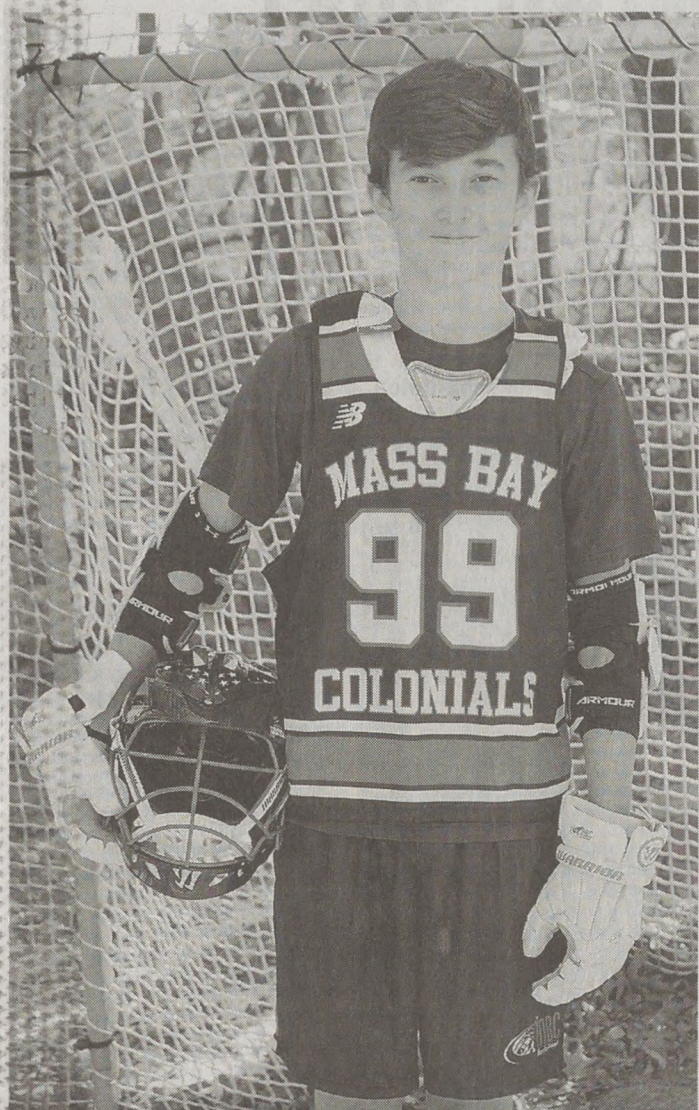
MBYLL President Tom Spangenberg will be the head coach of the U12 Red Team. Spangenberg has been involved with youth lacrosse in Massachusetts for the past 25 years as a coach, referee, and administrator. Rick Zaccardo will be the Red team's assistant coach. Zaccardo is a long time MBYLL Board Member and was a 12-year coach and program director for Reading Youth Lacrosse.

"As a league, we focus on many important facets of the game designed to grow lacrosse and honor its sacred traditions," said Spangenberg, "and the Colonials is one such example of how we're uniting our towns, prioritizing teaching the skills in a fun environment, and promoting the importance of character, community, and camaraderie. We're thrilled to bring the finest athletes and coaches from our small community to a much larger one in Florida this winter."

Mass Bay Youth Lacrosse League - MBYLL, a non-profit 401 (c)3 organization, was founded in 1992 by a group of town youth lacrosse programs that had the common goal to promote the growth of the game of lacrosse throughout Massachusetts by providing leadership, guidance, training, and structure to anyone interested in lacrosse. Over 100 town programs participate in MBYLL with over 1,000 teams and 12,000 players.

The mission is to teach,

grow, and honor the game of lacrosse in every town and community in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts by providing leadership, guidance, training, and structure to all town and city programs participating in MBYLL's spring league as well as the annual MBYLL Jamboree held each June at the end of our season. For more information, visit www.mbyll.org.



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Rams and Cougars battle until the end in first Thanksgiving Game clash

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READING -- Despite the fact that there were no play-off implications for either team, last week's Thanksgiving Day football game pitting Shawsheen Tech against Austin Prep was certainly a newsworthy event and warranted the media attention it received.

First and foremost, Austin Prep's Bill Maradei, who decided to retire from football coaching duties after patrolling the sidelines for forty-five years, captured a hard-fought win in his career finale by out-dueling the visiting Rams, 14-8.

Maradei's record of 267-146-4, split between his years at Dom Savio and AP, places him in the upper echelon of Massachusetts high school football coaches, ranked 11th overall.

Following completion of the contest and traditional player handshake at mid-field, Shawsheen coach Al Costabile made his way to the opposition's post-game huddle before addressing his own team. He embraced Maradei and then spoke briefly to the AP players.

"I just told them that they were very fortunate to have played for a great guy and a great coaching staff," answered Costabile, when asked what he said to the team that had just dealt him a loss. "In the days ahead, they'll think back and realize they had an opportunity to play for a legend."

"Coach Maradei is a special guy and he has been a very good influence in my life and in the lives of many people for years," continued Costabile, who wrapped up the 2018 campaign at 4-7 overall. "He has done so much for so many. I'm proud of him, going out a winner, because he has been a winner his entire career."

Amid Massachusetts high school football rivalries that have endured for more than a century, such as Wellesley-Needham and Malden-Medford, for example, Austin Prep has bounced from one Thanksgiving opponent to another for a number of years. Shawsheen, meanwhile, was forced to seek out a holiday replacement after Greater Lowell ended a twenty-five year run, succumbing after dropping seventeen straight to the Rams. It was an obvious solution to pair Shawsheen and AP, six miles apart, and fashion a new rivalry.

If the games ahead are anything like the first, athletes and spectators alike are in for a special treat.

In the first edition, Austin Prep commanded the ground game from the outset, racking up 293 rushing yards. The tailback tandem of Lucas Gebolys (15 carries, 110-yards) and Dylan Cann (13 carries, 104-yards) accounted for the lion's share of the yardage but oddly enough, neither figured in the scoring. Both

Cougar TD's belonged to QB Matthew Rubino.

The go-ahead score, notched with 3:46 remaining in the first quarter, featured steady doses of Gebolys and Cann over a 12-play, 80-yard series capped with a 3-yard plunge by Rubino. The senior QB also rushed for a 2-point conversion to put the Cougars in front, 8-0.

The Shawsheen defense played admirably, standing up to prolonged drives. In the first half alone, Austin Prep engineered a pair of defensively exhausting 10-play series. But while the Rams gave up ground, points were at a premium. Austin Prep executed 51 offensive plays to the Rams 31 but again, Shawsheen was in range until the bitter end.

Speaking of bitter, the record-breaking Artic cold snap, featuring field temperatures at game time between 13-15 degrees laced with a steady wind, made for a difficult morning for both the participants and spectators. The conditions were so punishing, in fact, that the officials and coaching staffs agreed to abbreviate the game, reducing quarters from 11 to 10 minutes.

Shawsheen saw a promising series, midway through the second quarter, snuffed out with a turnover. Starting from their own 20, Dylan Timmons got the Rams moving with a pair of rushes. Forward progress was limited so QB CJ Zemetres went to the air, finding Josiah Martinez with back-to-back throws. Ryan Quinones hauled in a 21-yarder to reach the midfield stripe followed by an 18-yard Conor Rooney run. The drive stalled on the AP 32 and before long, the ball was in the hands of a defender on a deflection.

With 7:56 left in the game, Rubino leaned in from the 2 to polish off yet another marathon series. The Cougars failed on the 2-point try but led, 14-0.

On the ensuing kickoff, Martinez breathed life into the Ram's hopes for a rally. Collecting the ball on his own 36, the junior receiver shook off a pair of would-be tacklers and then found a seam, sprinting to the daylight. Shawsheen reduced the deficit to 14-8 when Zemetres rifled one to Santino Garofalo for a 2-pointer.

"Those were great efforts by Josiah and Santino and bought some excitement back into the game," said Costabile.

Shawsheen held the Cougars and got the ball back with just under 4-minutes remaining. Zemetres was 3-of-7 and eventually reached the AP 33. But after a costly penalty, the Rams were unable to muster a play for 4th-and-10 and relinquished the ball on downs.

"We played an inspired football game today but fell a little short," said Costabile. "We gave it everything we had and I'm very proud of their effort."



After the completion of last Thursday's game against Shawsheen Tech, Bill Maradei is presented a retired jersey by his two sons, the team and school administrators, as a token of appreciation for his incredible service as head football coach at Austin Prep. (courtesy photo/Austin Prep Athletics)

After 266 wins and two Super Bowl titles, Maradei calls it a career

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READING -- Amid the fanfare of a first-ever Thanksgiving Day match-up between a pair of accomplished football programs, Shawsheen Regional Technical and Austin Preparatory, it wasn't lost on the hardy spectators, who turned out in droves on a sub-twenty degree morning, that they were witnessing the end of an era.

Standing watch from the sidelines of a high school gridiron for the final time, Austin Prep head coach Bill Maradei guided his team to a 14-8 win over Shawsheen, adding one more triumph to his enviable 266-146-4 lifetime record.

In the first-ever holiday meeting of what promises to be a great rivalry, Austin Prep took an 8-0 lead on QB Matthew Rubino's 3-yarder at the tail end of the first quarter. Rubino struck again at the outset of the fourth, striking from the 12. Shawsheen answered on the ensuing kickoff, with a 64-yard romp from Josiah Martinez but the Rams ultimately fell short.

Maradei, of Reading, recently decided to continue working as a science teacher with Austin Prep but to retire from football and hand over the reigns of the Cougars, a team he has coached since 1993. During that span, he led his charges to a 165-108 mark, as well as a trio of Super Bowl visits.

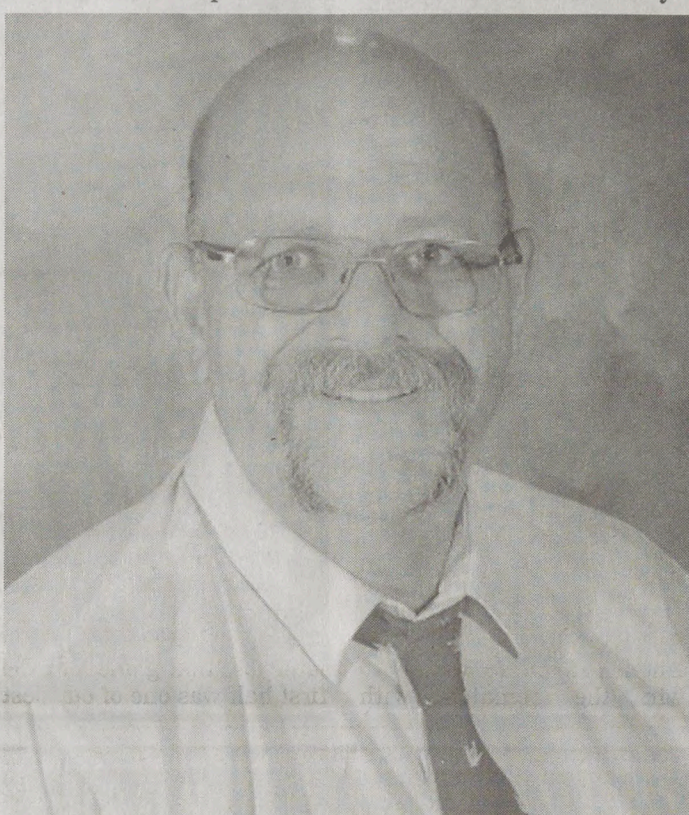
"Although we won't have Coach patrolling our sidelines next year, he will still be very involved with our athletic department and school," said Austin Prep Director of Athletics Jonathan Pollard. "Coach has decided he will continue teaching here at Austin and has no finish line in sight for his other responsibilities with the athletic department; ticket taker, scoreboard operator, and of course, event security."

At the outset with Austin Prep, Maradei was tasked with rebuilding the program and struggled through a pair of losing campaigns. In his third year, the talented

coach led the Cougars back to winning ways, wrapping up 1995 with a 7-3 overall record.

The following season, Maradei delivered on the promise to a talented group of athletes, marshalling them to a Super Bowl

Mazza, after leading the Cougars to their first-ever Super Bowl win. "Everything else in the past is so minimal, you don't even consider it. You only use the past to grow from it and become a champion, which is what we are today."



appearance on the heels of a stellar 11-1 season. Unfortunately, the Cougars suffered a demoralizing 20-0 shutout defeat at the hands of Weston High School in the 1996 Division 6B Eastern championship game.

It wasn't long, however, before Maradei redeemed himself. At the turn of the century, in 1999, Austin Prep blanked West Bridgewater, 24-0, to claim the coach's first Super Bowl Championship since joining the AP program.

Several of Maradei's athletes in that memorable game hailed from Wilmington, including Dennis Sullivan, the late Jim McGonagle, and Derek Mazza, the team's quarterback. As a freshman, Mazza was under center for the earlier Super Bowl heart-break loss to Weston. Victory, as they say, heals all wounds.

"Having a winning year senior year is all that matters," said co-captain

Ten years later, Maradei claimed yet another Super Bowl trophy for the Austin Prep award display case. A crowning achievement, he engineered a convincing 38-15 victory over previously undefeated Holliston.

"That 2009 Super Bowl was my Disney moment," shared Maradei. "Both of my sons were on the field that day and both were contributing and that was a thrill. Also, my dad was still alive and he was in the stands. The game was played at Gillette Stadium, it was televised, and we beat a 12-0 Holliston team. We were big underdogs going in. The whole thing was just surreal."

At the time, Maradei's oldest son Billy was a junior and played both the fullback and defensive end positions and Mark, a sophomore, was a defensive tackle.

Maradei, himself, was raised in East Boston and attended nearby Dom Savio High School, which shuttered in 2007 after five

decades due to declining enrollment. As a student, Maradei was disappointed to find that Dom Savio did not have a football program, so steps were taken.

"My father let me transfer over to East Boston High and I played there for two years," the coach recalled. "I was a two-way player in high school and later played defensive tackle for Boston State College (UMass Boston). Ironically, I ended up back at Dom Savio!"

Maradei was referring to his long stint as coach at Dom Savio, which commenced in 1979. His résumé featured a remarkable 100-38-4 overall record, one losing record in fourteen, and three Super Bowl trips, including the pinnacle year of 1982 when he compiled an 11-0 mark capped with a 14-12 Eastern Mass Division 4 Super Bowl win over Rockland.

Along with all the trappings of a long, storied career, Maradei is the 11th ranked coach in Massachusetts history and in 2009, was honored with an induction into the Massachusetts Coaches Hall of Fame.

"The wins, losses, and Super Bowls speak for themselves in regards to Coach Maradei's ability as a football coach," said Pollard. "What statistics do not show is the impact Coach Maradei has made on so many young men. I would say the fact Coach has now begun coaching sons of his former players is the greatest expression of just how deep those impacts were."

Maradei was pleased that Austin Prep was paired with Shawsheen Tech for Thanksgiving, partly due to his longtime association with the Ram's coach.

"Shawsheen's Coach Al Costabile is a very good friend of mine," shared Maradei. "I'm glad we have a game on Thanksgiving. We've had a number of different opponents over the years. Lowell Catholic chose not to play anymore and we had Lynn Tech but they wanted to match-up with another Lynn School. As soon as I heard we would be playing Shawsheen, I was very happy because of the respect I have for that coaching staff and especially, Al."

When asked, Maradei admitted he would welcome the break from certain aspects of coaching football, including the tremendous time commitments. But other facets of the game that have consumed much of his life would certainly be missed.

"The number one thing I'll miss is the day-to-day camaraderie with the kids and the assistant coaches," Maradei shared. "I enjoy the back-and-forth banter. I've been a teacher for forty-three years and a coach for forty-five years so I obviously enjoy working with the young kids. Watching them grow and learn on the football field will be sorely missed."



The Shawsheen Tech 2018 Fall Cheerleading team includes five local residents including from left, Bianca Garofalo, Olivia Leeds, Riley DiPietro of Tewksbury and then Hailey Donovan, Grace Steed and Teagan McDonald of Wilmington. The six girls completed their season on Thanksgiving Day morning. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com).

Wilmington High JV Girls soccer team posts seven victories

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The Wilmington High JV Girls Soccer team entered this season on a mission. After last season's 6-7-3 campaign, the JV team's first losing season in the past eleven years, the Wildcats set out to make sure that was not going to happen again.

Well, the Wildcats can most certainly say "mission accomplished" after a season in which they posted a 7-4-4 record, outscoring their opponents 24-16, while showing tremendous improvement throughout the season.

"I described this season as the redemption tour for the six juniors who played for me last year," said Wildcats coach MJ English, who is in her 11th year as coach of the JV squad. "They knew that Wilmington JV soccer had never had a losing record in the past eleven years until last year and in 2018 they showed up in shape with a team, first attitude while playing with something to prove. They cared, worked hard, contributed in key moments and each of them improved from last season and throughout this season."

The juniors for the Wildcats were captain Maeve Martins, captain Holly Spencer, Sophia Fruciano, MJ Martin, Ava Masiello and Jocelyn White, but as English points out, the entire team contributed to the team first attitude that led to their success. "This team was characterized by playing with toughness and grit. They deeply cared about each other and our success," English said. "They really seemed to have fun together. I rarely saw them sitting idle during practice's water breaks. They were always shooting, passing or juggling during any practice down time."

That attitude led to some big wins during the season for the Wildcats, including a pair key wins over



The WHS JV Girls Soccer team recently ended its season. The team included: front row from left, Sofia Barletta, Kaitlyn Doherty, Cara Wong, Kattie McLaughlin, Sophie Smith and Ava Elliott; middle row from left: Alexia Bittarelli, Mileyna Acevedo, Kayla Smith, Ashlyn Buckley, Alexa Kelley and Ashley LaMonica; and back row from left, Jocelyn White, Ava Masiello, Maeve Martins, Sophia Fruciano, MJ Martin, Holly Spencer and coach MJ English. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com)

Middlesex League rival Wakefield. In the first of their two games against Wakefield, the teams played a back and forth game that saw the Wildcats down by a goal.

"While the Wakefield coach was delaying the end of the game with substitutions, the refs added a few minutes of extra time to the game to compensate for her delaying tactic," English said.

Nearing the end of the game, Wakefield hauled down sophomore Katie McLaughlin down in the penalty area and fellow sophomore Ava Elliott converted the penalty kick with about a minute left.

"This didn't sit well with the Wakefield coach or team and there was some spirited discussion that followed," English said. "We wanted to win the rematch with

authority and without controversy. Over the weeks that followed, we sharpened our game for the Wakefield rematch, which we won, 1-0, on a Sophie Smith goal."

A couple of other games stood out to English for her team's outstanding efforts, including one game which resulted in a loss to Winchester. Winchester's varsity team won the 2018 girls' state Division 2 title, and their entire program is loaded with great players.

"Their JV team is stocked with a lot of talent as well, going 17-0 this season," English said. "It was particularly gratifying that we played to a 1-1 tie at the end of the first half on a goal by hard working Sophie Smith. We played extremely tough against a superior team. We later lost that game, but the first half was one of our best

halves of the year."

The Wildcats also showed the ability to adapt to any situation, as they showed in their season finale on the road against Melrose on the turf field at Melrose High.

"Turf is fast. We don't practice on turf and speed wasn't one of our strengths as a team," English said. "Turf gets faster in the rain. Despite not being quick on fast terrain in this concluding game in the worst conditions, the girls played some of their best soccer of the season with only 16 players. We won convincingly, 2-0, after having beaten Melrose 1-0 in our first match against them this season."

The Wildcats got contributions throughout their roster on their way to their successful season, but some players did stand out for their outstanding efforts in

many aspects of the game.

"On the offensive end, our scoring seemed to come from a different person each game, which was important because our center striker, captain Maeve Martins, went down with a season ending injury four games into the season," English said. "This was unfortunate because she was playing the best soccer I had ever seen her play."

The offense was led by center midfielder Ava Elliott who was the team's leading scorer with five goals. Ten members of the eighteen-person team scored, highlighting the breadth of offensive contribution. A number of the forwards scored their first ever JV goals including junior Sophia Fruciano, Sophie Smith, sophomore Cara Wong, sophomore Alexa Kelley and sophomore

Ashley LaMonica. Seven different members of the team had game winning goals.

The defense was led by junior goalie Jocelyn White. A returner from last year, White's dedication to self-improvement led to a strong performance in net. This year, she logged a one goal against per game average compared to 2017 when she had a 1.6 goal against per game average.

"Her confidence, communication and aggressiveness back stopped a composed yet feisty and difficult to beat defensive corps of Ava Masiello, Kayla Smith, Ashlyn Buckley, Alexia Bittarelli and Mileyna Acevedo," English said.

English, who was an All-Star, MVP and two-year captain back in her playing days

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JV and Freshman Field Hockey teams complete successful seasons

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It was another successful season for the Wilmington High Varsity Field Hockey, as the Wildcats qualified for the state tournament for the tenth consecutive season, but with the team losing 14 seniors to graduation, they will be in dire need of replacements next season.

Thankfully there appears to be many talented players throughout the program who look ready to step in and fill the void, starting at the junior varsity level, where the Wildcats went 7-3-8 on the season under the direction of coach Laura Connors.

There appear to be several future stars for the Wildcats at the JV level, particularly on the defensive side of the ball where Connors saw several players perform above and beyond expectations, starting with freshman goalie Marissa Bryan, along with defenders Evy Miller-Nuzzo, Caroline Rooney, and Kiara Nadeau.

"Although we weren't a powerhouse on offense, our defense really stepped it up. Marissa did an amazing job! Her confidence really grew in goal by the end of the season and the team rallied around her," Connors said. "I never lacked confidence in our backfield and always knew I could count on them to keep the ball out."

The Wildcats also had a solid Midfield with help from returning players, juniors Ashley MacGilvary, Anja Jensen, and Sophia DiAmco.

"They always gave it their all, whether at practice or a game, and being returning players their knowledge of the game was a important role for the midfield," Connors said. "It was especially helpful with having some sophomores that were new to the program this year."

Those new sophomores included Zoe Derose, Ida Bishop, and Toni Brunetto.

"I tried them all over the field, playing every position and they improved every game both with their skills and knowledge of the game," Connors said.

Freshmen Shea Cushing, and Rita Roche worked hard offensively and should be watched out for next season, while other key players for the Wildcats included Nakomis Bramantecohen, Taylor Booska, Lizzy Connelly, Abigail Perry, Gianna Spada, and Jenna Murray.

"This team followed suit of previous years and we had a lot of fun during our season," Connors said. "We had a great season. I love coaching field hockey and always hope to pass on my passion for this sport along to others."

FRESHMAN FIELD HOCKEY

The future of the Wilmington High Field Hockey program certainly appears to be a bright one, based on the performance of the Wildcats freshman team this season, as the youngest members of the Wildcat family soared to an 8-1-4 record, while also getting some great experience in hopes of competing at the varsity level in the future.

Second year freshman coach Courtney Cavanaugh, a 2011 graduate of Wilmington High where she was an All-Star and team MVP in her senior season, was impressed with her team's record this season, but more importantly, she was pleased with the way her team represented their town and their school. Interestingly, this stood out for Cavanaugh more than ever in the Wildcats lone loss of the season to North Andover.

"The season this year was filled with immense growth from every player. Each game we played every girl took the constructive comments to heart and put them to practice to improve,"

Cavanaugh said. "The girls played especially well in our game against North Andover. Although this game was our only loss of the season, the girl never gave up and pushed through to the very end never stopping. The girls hustled each moment and gave it their all, which was also noticed by the opposing team and referees who commented on the girls play and competition that they offered the strong program that North Andover embodies."

While the entire roster displayed great teamwork and effort throughout the season, there were a few notable players this year that went above and beyond anything asked of them including Allison (Sonny) Rebeiro, Kailyn St. Jean, Allison Foley, and Celia Kulis.

"Allison is a vibrant young lady who has made steady improvements throughout the season. Sonny was a force to be reckoned with, scoring in almost every game. She never let the ball get past her and was seemingly everywhere she could possibly help out her teammates when we were on the defensive. A critical player in our offense corners, Sonny had a knack for knowing what to do with the ball in those high intensity situations," Cavanaugh said. "Kailyn played left forward, and an individual who plays here must have a certain finesse to be able to stick handle up the left side of the field; Kailyn was the best I could ask for in this position. She never shied away from competition and never failed to make an amazing pass to a teammate or score unbelievable goal. When faced with the task of playing goalie, Kailyn rose to the occasion and it was if she had played there every game before that."

Cavanaugh had equal words of praise for Foley and Kulis, each of whom filled multiple roles for the Wildcats.

"Allison was our voice on the field. Without a doubt if there was someone giving positive encouragement or helping and directing teammates on the field, it was Allison. She represents the team unity that the field hockey program continues to make a priority each year and her leadership on and off the field were all that a coach could hope for. Allison played a pivotal role in both our offensive and defensive corners as she was one of the "go-to" people in each scenario," Cavanaugh said. "Celia was a clear standout from the beginning of the season, with a few things that needed to be worked on to reach her full potential on the freshman field this year. Each day, Celia brought an enthusiastic energy that radiated amongst her teammates as well. Playing center midfield, Celia took a large responsibility of being a key component on both offense and defense, something she excelled at in each game. Celia is not only a wonderful young lady, but she is a wonderful player who has a bright future in the Wilmington Field Hockey program."

In addition to the great contributions from her players, Cavanaugh also wanted to acknowledge the parents of the players who helped make the season such a success.

"First and foremost, I would love to give acknowledgment to the wonderful parents of each player that came to cheer us on at each home and away game," Cavanaugh said. "The cheers, encouragement, and organization for the Breast Cancer game were above and beyond."

On a personal note, Cavanaugh was amazed at what a family this team quickly became, standing behind her when she needed them most.

"I wasn't sure if my second year could compare to the first, but in its own way,



The WHS JV Field Hockey team includes front row from left, Evelyn Miller-Nuzzo, Taylor Booska, Abby Perry, Rita Roach, and Shea Cushing; second row from left, Nokomis Bramantecohen, Ashley MacGilvary, Gianna Spada, Zoe DeRose, Anja Jensen, and Caroline Rooney; and back row from left, Coach Laura Connors, Elizabeth Connolly, Kiara Nadeau, Toni Brunetto, Ida Bishop, Jenna Murray, and Johanna Robinson. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com)



The WHS Freshman Field Hockey team includes front row from left, Taylor Breen, Gabby Monteforte, Cassidy Murphy, Anna Germano, and Danielle Flaherty; second row from left, Alyssa Rago, Amanda Solari, Jenna Danieli, Allison Foley, Celia Kulis and Medha Pal; and back row from left, Coach Courtney Cavanaugh, Emily Fothergill, Allison Rebeiro, Kailyn St. Jean and Corinn Flanagan. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com)



The WHS Freshman Girls Soccer team includes front row from left, Jenna Moore, Quinn Proulx, Emily Watson, Emily Hassell, Madison Mulas and Kari Wells; middle row from left, Rowan Fortier, Faith Thacker-Benoit, Christianna Bittarelli, Tori Ciampa and Mackenzie Canning; and back row from left, Gianna Melaragni, Haley Gifford, Alexis Meza, Ashley Gallezzo and Olivia Spizuoco. Missing from photo Caterina Tassone, Alyssa Toland and Coach Erin Cowden. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com)

FRESHMAN GIRLS SOCCER

The success of the Wilmington Girls Soccer program continued all the way down to freshman level where the youngest of the Wildcats had an outstanding season under the direction of third year coach Erin Cowden, going 7-2-8 on the season.

"Throughout the season I saw an incredible improvement in this team. This team was hard-working and came to practice ready to work," Cowden said. "The knowledge they gained this season was very obvious as each game was better than the next and the skills gradually improved each week. The girls worked hard and dominated many games."

Making their record even more impressive was that the Wildcats entered the season without an experienced goal keeper, forcing some players into new roles to help the team.

"Unfortunately, we did not have a goal keeper on our team, which became a factor in many games," Cowden said. "However, we were lucky to have Jenna Moore, Quinn Proulx, Emily

Watson, and Rowan Fortier step up and try their skills in the net."

The Wildcats were led by their three captains, Tori Ciampa, Jenna Moore, and Emily Watson.

"All three girls were great leaders with great talents, but Jenna's leadership made the largest impact on our team," Cowden said. "She always had the best interest of the team and made sure all the girls were taken care of."

The Wildcats offense was led by leading scorer, Ciampa and by Watson, who led the team in assists. The team also had the offensive skills of Gianna Melaragni, Christianna Bittarelli, and Alyssa Toland.

"The forwards made great combination passes with the midfielders and had great attacks crashing the net," Cowden said.

The Wildcats midfield was anchored by center midfielders, Moore and Quinn Proulx. "Quinn and Jenna worked very well together in the middle. They both had great foot skills to distribute the ball and create offensive opportunities," Cowden said. "Quinn also did a great job with restarts, whether they

were direct kicks or corners, always putting us in scoring position."

The team's outside midfielders were led by Kari Wells and Faith Thacker-Benoit, while the outside midfielders were led by Ashley Gallezzo and Caterina Tassone.

"The hustle of these girls did not go unnoticed," Cowden said. "Both Kari and Faith made great runs and passes to help out our offense, but also made sure they got back to help out our defense. All of our outside mids did a fantastic job of supporting the defense and helping us transition to offense."

The defense was anchored by defenders Madison Mulas and Mackenzie Canning.

"Madison did an excellent job settling the ball in the air and distributing it to our midfielders. Mackenzie's speed helped us tremendously on defense," Cowden said. "As our last line of defense, Mackenzie did not let anyone get by her, and if by chance they did, she had the speed to chase them down and take the ball away. Our defense also had the skills of

SUBVARSITY PG SP7V

Both Sub-Varsity Volleyball teams have fun seasons on the courts

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The JV Volleyball team struggled a bit in the win column, posting victories over Watertown and Stoneham to finish 2-18 on the season under third-year coach Bridget Shainwald.

She attributed the struggles to a very young team. The Wildcats had one junior, six sophomores, and four freshmen. She also said every year is different.

"In high school ball you never know who will walk through the door at the beginning of the season," Shainwald said. "Making the team work smoothly between athletes that have played multiple seasons and those who have never touched a volleyball before has been the biggest challenge."

Coach Shainwald spoke highly of all of her players.

"Despite them not being a very physically dominant team, their attitude and willingness to learn brought them far in the knowledge of the sport," said Shainwald. "They are a great group of kids that have a great work ethic, and that resulted in a very upbeat finish to the season."

Shainwald praised junior Kaili Lamb for her powerful and very consistent serving as a right right side hitter and blocker. Amanda Mercier played middle and improved so much during season she was asked to join the varsity squad. Sydney Vega was the second middle opposite Amanda. "Though she is very new to the sport, she made her presence known to opposing teams with her aggressive net play," Shainwald said.

Captain Naomi Layon, one of the more experienced players led the offense and Lauren Hutchison, though injured early in the season, made a noticeable impact defensively when able to take the court.

Shainwald said numbers are low in the program but the upside to this is more playing time for each athlete as well as more individualized coaching for each player.

"This all points to a more competitive program," she said.

The Wilmington JV Volleyball team included Angelica Lowshak, Mia Demarco, Jesse Ding, Naomi Layon, Amanda Mercier, Ashley Salerno, Jamie Davis, Lauren Hutchison, Bella Keiran, and Sydney Vega.

FRESHMAN VOLLEYBALL

Wilmington's Freshmen Volleyball team had a strong season this past fall. Under first year coach Kelsey Caverly, the girls posted a record of 11-7.

Putting the team together started with tryouts in August. Everyone who tried out went through a series of tasks. That was to test the skills of each girl and see where they stand and all three coaches, Caverly and JV and Varsity coaches Bridget and Bruce Shainwald rated the girls.

"Our system worked, and I think we will keep using it in the future," said Caverly.

Key wins for the Wildcats were against Wakefield and Melrose in their second matchups after losing to both teams in the beginning part of the season. We lost to both schools at the beginning of the season. Caverly says it was up to her to keep the girls fired up through both matches the second time around.

"They pulled through; beating Wakefield and Melrose had my team excited to keep going and they realized what they were capable of," said Caverly. "They worked harder and harder each practice and it paid off."

One of the key players on this year's team was Sarah LaVita. "Her serves were unbelievable, they were strong but still controlled, she knew exactly where to put the ball," said the coach. "Sarah had many blocks in games and knew exactly how to use her height. She took the court during tryouts in August and I just knew that she was going to progress quickly. There were many games this season where she reeled in the win single handedly. She's got a great head on her shoulders; I am excited to see where the next level of the sport takes her, [because] I know she is ready to compete."

Coach Caverly's volleyball



The WHS JV Volleyball team includes front row from left, Angelica Loshak, and Maura Sullivan; middle row from left, Mia DeMarco, Amanda Mercier, Ashley Salerno, Naomi Layon, Jesse Ding, and Kaili Lamb; and back row from left, Isabella Kieran, Sydney Vega, Lauren Hutchinson and Jamie Davis. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com)

experience spans only a few years recreationally San Diego, California. So, given the opportunity to coach the freshman team was a thrilling and exciting opportunity. "I had great mentors."

Caverly couldn't say enough great things about her mentors, JV coach Bridget Shainwald and Varsity coach Bruce Shainwald.

"They know all the ins and out of the sport and really had my back whenever I needed it," said Caverly. She says they were constantly willing to stay late at practice or come early to help my team out, and she couldn't be more thankful to have them in the program.

To put a bow on the past season, Caverly couldn't have been more prouder of this group of girls. She said they learned to trust each other with everything and build great bonds.

"It was amazing to watch their story unfold before my own eyes, and each one of the girls are ready for the next level of volleyball and I can't wait to see what following year has in store," Caverly said.

Other players on the Wilmington Freshmen Volleyball team were Alyssa Fracia, Madsion Kelsey, Paige Lohrman, Emily McHugh, Meghan O'Mahony, Seanna Rankin, Lilly Rubin, Laura Tran, and Haeleigh Wilson.



The WHS Freshman Volleyball team includes: front row from left, Lilly Rubin, Laura Tran and Madison Kelsey; Middle row from left: Haeleigh Wilson, Emily McHugh and Alyssa Fracia; back row from left, Meghan O'Mahoney, Sarah LaVita and Paige Lohrman. Missing from photo: Seanna Rankin. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com)

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FRESHMAN GIRLS SOCCER

Alexis Meza, Emily Hassell and Haley Gifford.

Cowden also appreciated the efforts throughout the season of Rowan Fortier and Olivia Spizuoco, who epitomized what it means to be a great teammate.

"Rowan was very dependable on the field and was able and willing to play wherever she was needed on the field, whether it was on defense, in the midfield, or even in the net," Cowden said. "The team benefitted from the leadership and skills of Olivia. Her ball control skills allowed her to control the middle, make fantastic passes, and create great opportunities on offense."

There were many great highlights to the season for the Wildcats, but a big 4-1 late season win over Wakefield may have stood out more than any other, as it showed the great resilience of this young group of Wildcats.

"The first time we played Wakefield, we faced a very physical team. We had multiple injuries due to physical play. The girls hung in for the whole game, but unfortunately, Wakefield walked away with a 4-3 win," Cowden said. "Our second game against Wakefield, we went into this game hungry for a win. The girls were determined to take revenge

and come out with a win. The whole week in practice the girls buckled down and worked hard to make sure they were ready to play. The whistle blew, and the girls came out on fire. Their passing and ball movement was on point. They played their best and their efforts were rewarded."

Cowden enjoyed an outstanding athletic career at Wilmington High, playing for both JV coach MJ English and varsity coach Sue Hendee, including being a team captain in her senior year under Hendee.

"I enjoy coaching alongside two mentors of mine. I have learned so much for both of them both in the game of soccer and in the art of coaching. I am able to lean on them for support, but I love being able to support them as coaches as well," Cowden said. "I enjoy coaching at the freshmen level because there is still so much to learn about the game of soccer. There are so many teachable moments and you get to watch the lessons learned directly impact their knowledge of the game."

That was certainly the case with this group of players, as Cowden saw great improvement throughout the season. She credits the hard work of her players for their success this season.

"I am proud of this group of girls. These girls demonstrated a great work ethic and improved their skills across the season," Cowden said. "They impressed me on a number of occasions and they impressed the JV and Varsity Coaches as well. They all have bright futures ahead of them."



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Wilmington Top-25

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The Town Crier's top-25 running backs in the history of the WHS Football program (see other story for explanation for the process).



ESPOSITO

MIKE ESPOSITO (1971): I don't think this should come to a surprise to anyone. After all that man played in the NFL and is one of two football players in the history of the school to have his No. 32 jersey retired.

At WHS, he led the 1970 team to a 9-0 record and the Class C Championship title, he was the leading scorer in the state, broke numerous scoring records in the state, conference and at WHS. His helped the Wildcats win three league titles in four years and finish with an overall record of 31-4-1.

As a freshman, he scored 10 combined touchdowns, eight in the air, and then as a sophomore, he rushed for over 1,000 yards, scoring 17 TDs, finishing with 126 points, including 18 PAT kicks and ranked third in all of EMass in scoring.

In 1969, he was seventh in the state in scoring, broke the conference record in points and had a 17-game stretch of scoring at least one touchdown in a game. In 1970, he broke Dick Jauron's three-year state record of 371 points and late broke Masconomet's Steve Chow's state record of 424 career points, by scoring 30 points in a 48-6 win over North Reading, running for 221 yards. He finished his career with 471 points.

Arguably his best game was scoring 5 touchdowns and rushing for over 200 yards against Chelmsford on a Saturday afternoon, despite being ill and out of school the first four days of the week.

"Esposito had all of the intangibles, no question about it. I coached Jack Bowen and he was more of a straight ahead runner. Esposito had great hands. He could always catch the ball. He had that extra move that had us using him as a receiver. As far as I am concerned, he was the best back that Wilmington High School ever had," said former WHS Football Coach John Ritchie.

Esposito went on to rush for almost 3,000 yards at BC, before injuries halted his NFL career. He scored two touchdowns for the Falcons.

2 JACK BOWEN (1963): And I don't think No. 2 is a surprise to anyone else either.

Bowen had the scoring records at WHS until Esposito broke them. He also led the state in scoring. Bowen was absolutely fantastic in every facet running the ball. He was shifty, he could break away from the runners, he was strong as an ox and just the ultimate warrior, competitor and teammate.

"I remember meeting him one summer at Silver Lake. I looked down at his calves and asked 'you're a running back?' His calves were the size of your head and I'm thinking, 'how am I going to match up to this,'" said Bowen's college roommate and teammate at Wyoming University, Bob Aylward, the longtime head coach at Tewksbury. The two of them played in two Bowl Games together, the Sun Bowl and the Sugar Bowl.

In 1962, Bowen led the Wildcats to a four-way tie as Class C Champs, an undefeated 9-0 season, extending the program's winning streak to 13 and unbeaten streak to 19, which established a league record at that time. He finished that season with 20 touchdowns, 134 points, including seven conversions.

In 1961, he led the team to an 8-0-1 record and a league title, the first since 1955. The back-to-back league titles in '61 and '62 was the first in conference history.

A two-time Suburban League All-Star selection, Bowen was also named to the Record American and Boston Herald All-



BOWEN



FITCH

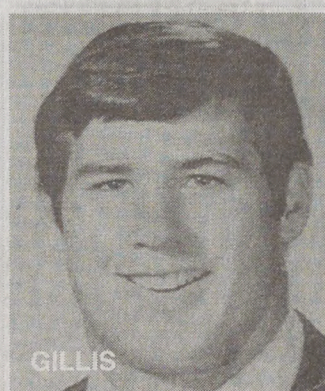
Scholastic teams during his senior year.

3 GORDIE FITCH (1977): Legendary football coach Fred Bellissimo was the one who talked Fitch into playing football for the first time when he arrived at the school. Little did Fitch know, that all he would do is lead the program to its first and only Super Bowl appearance, while being named the MVC Player of the Year, a Boston Globe and Herald All-Scholastic, a Lowell Sun and Agganis Bowl Game All-Star, and later on into the WHS Hall of Fame.

His senior season he was absolutely exceptional on the field, scoring three touchdowns in a game three different times against Lawrence, Chelmsford and Austin Prep. He also registered 117 yards and a score in the 20-12 Bowl Game loss to Lynn Classical. Fitch finished that senior season with

4 DICKIE GILLIS (1971): Gillis has been called and still to this day, one of the all-time greatest players ever to compete in the Merrimack Valley Conference. He was more known for his domination on the defensive side of the ball - mostly his non-stop pursuit and heavy hits on anyone who came within a mile of him.

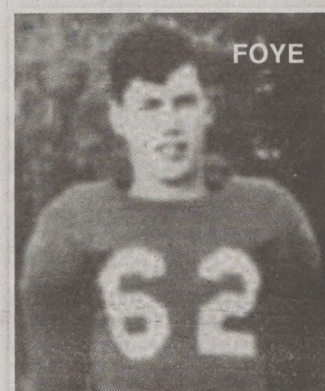
Offensively he was outstanding, forming arguably an incredible 1-2 punch along with Esposito. The two of them played together all four years, winning three titles and finishing with 31 wins



GILLIS

along the way. As a sophomore, Gillis scored a pair of TDs in a 34-14 Turkey Game win, and the following year had productive games against Methuen and North Reading.

A four-year power back, who could also block and catch passes with the best of them, Gillis was a three-time MVC All-Conference selection, part of the undefeated 1970 team which were Class C Champs, and named to the Agganis All-Star team. He time he touched the ball. The WHS Hall of Fame was one of the absolutely best athletes to ever play here.



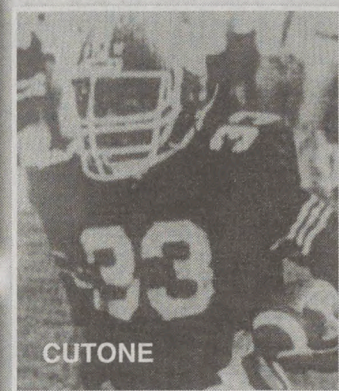
FOYE

5 ROBERT FOYE (1940): Foye led the first 9-0 team in WHS history, which came after the program suffered

through three rebuilding seasons, just shortly after sports was reinstated due to the Great Depression.

Foye, a left halfback, scored 74 points on the season which was almost three-time more than his next teammate. He was named to the All Suburban League All-Star team and later inducted into the WHS Hall of Fame.

"Foye was a dream player on Coach Harold 'Ding' Driscoll's teams. He can pass, kick and run with the best in the schoolboy circles," those words were written in his HOF write-up.



CUTONE

6 TONY CUTONE (1986): Cutone defines the word 'warrior'. He grinded through some tough years, against the best teams in the state, and was absolutely exceptional. As a 5-foot-10, 185-pound junior, he had some monster games including a 201-yard, 3-TD performance against Andover, the first win over the Warriors since 1976. Through the team's first three games that season, he had 550 yards and 36 points. He finished the season with 1,019.

As a senior, he led all Division 2 scorers with 92 points and finished with over 900 yards and 14 touchdowns. He had a 4-touchdown, 227-yard gem against Billerica. He was later named to the MVC All-Conference team, a Boston Globe All-Scholastic and was one of 40 kids statewide in all fall sports to be honored for exceptional athletic achievements in a season.

He moved on from WHS and attended Harvard University.



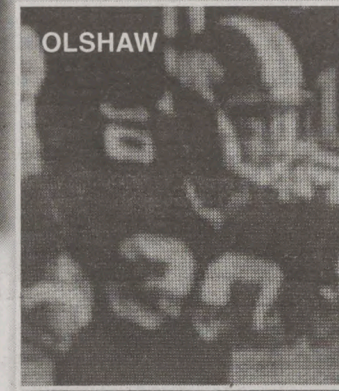
SFERRAZZA

7 ROBERT SFERRAZZA (1977): Like Gillis, Sferrazza was more known for his defense, being a three-time all-league defensive back, while he also formed an incredible 1-2 offensive punch, with Fitch. The two of them were nothing short of sensational, leading the 'Cats to their first and only Super Bowl appearance. In that game he rushed for 75 yards.

Sferrazza finished his senior season with 981 rushing yards on 146 carries and also mixed in 166 receiving yards, pushing him over the 1,000 combined yards. He had an average of 7.37 yards every time he touched the ball.

Also that season of '76, he had big games against Chelmsford (160 yards and 2 TDs), Central Catholic (135 yards) and Tewksbury (2 TDs).

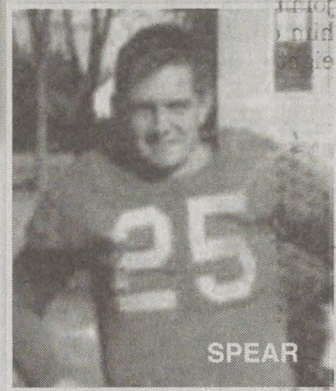
"He is the fastest player in the league," said Redmen Coach Bob Aylward at the time.



OLSHAW

8 EDDIE OLSHAW (1983): Much smaller than Cutone, but Olshaw was matched up against the same kind of killer opponents and teams. Standing at 5-foot-9, 150 pounds, Olshaw relied heavily on his best pal Jon Nolan to provide the blocking for him. It worked the two of them had Hall of Fame careers and in football never came off the field, playing nearly every minute of every game in their three-year varsity careers.

Olshaw's biggest year was 1983 where he helped the team start off 5-0, with five-plus 100-yard games. He wound up leading all of Division 2 in scoring, led the MVC in scoring and finished with 783 rushing yards. He was named to the MVC All-Conference team, to the Shriner's All-Star Game and was named the Lowell Sun's Player of the Year.



SPEAR

9 ARTHUR SPEAR (1949): After Spear graduated from WHS, he described in Town Historian Gerry O'Reilly's book that when he played football, "helmets were made of leather, there were no faceguards and pants had originated from the 1937 season." Eleven years after those pants were first worn, Spear was a huge reason in the 1948 Wildcats' best season in school history by defeating every opponent and giving up just one touchdown all season. In that 7-6 win over Hanover, it was Spear who scored the game-winning touchdown. He also led the team to its whopping 54-0 win over Tewksbury, the first in nine years at the time.

Spear finished that season scoring 55 points including nine touchdowns. He was selected to play in the first Greater Lowell All-Star Game as a punter and a fullback.

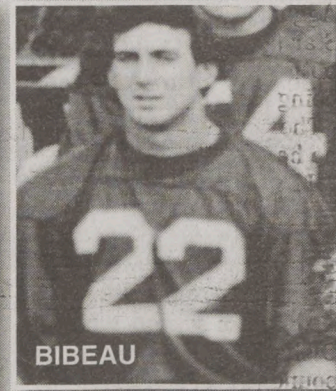
"Spear was a great, great fullback," said his head coach Anthony DeToro.

Spear is also a member of the WHS Hall of Fame.



CHISHOLM

10 BILL CHISHOLM (1949): Spear's partner-in-crime, Chisholm was right there scoring 10 touchdowns on the season as the offense accumulated 202 points with the duo combining for 111. Chisholm, along with teammate Paul Carpenter, a guard, who also figured in the offense at times, were named to the All-Scholastic D Teams. Chisholm, a captain, called the offensive plays for the team, which orchestrated out of the single-wing/t-formation. He was known for his "gritiness and intelligence." He is a member of the WHS Hall of Fame.



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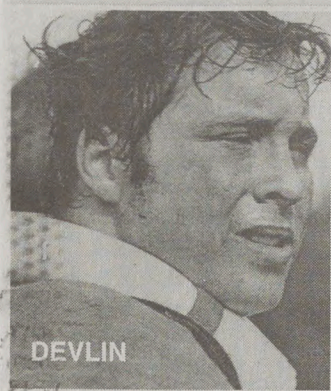
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Running Backs

11 ARTIE BIBEAU (1972): One of my all-time favorite people in the town, who had all of the intangibles and terrific instincts and knowledge of all sports, Bibeau was stuck behind several outstanding runners in Esposito and Gillis before he finally got his turn and he quickly became one of the school's all-time greats.

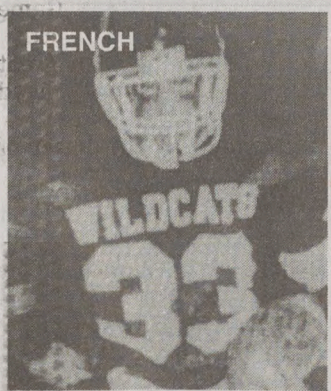
After being a part of that 1970 championship team as a back-up, who still saw quite a bit of action, Bibeau emerged on his own in 1971 and had terrific game as a halfback including 22 rushes for 140 yards with two TDs against Methuen, and two more touchdowns in a win over Pentucket as just some of his highlights.

He went on to have a terrific career as a back at Boston State and later was inducted into the WHS Hall of Fame, joining the ten guys before him on this list and another eight behind him.



12 DEAN DEVLIN (1974): In the line of tough, rugged all business on the field type runners, Wilmington has shelled out over the years, Devlin fits perfectly into that category. The Hall of Famer was a part of the 1972 undefeated season, which he was the leading scorer in the league with 14 touchdowns and 84 points. He carried the ball 202 times that season for 1,352 yards, and had two touchdowns against six teams, and one touchdown against two others.

He was named to the MVC All-Conference squad twice, and later on elected to the WHS Hall of Fame.

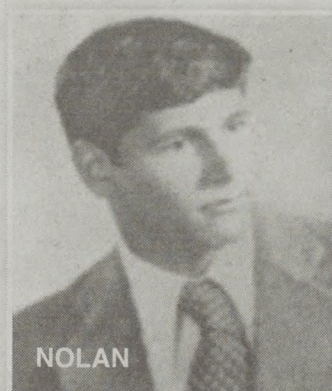


13 BOBBY FRENCH (2001): It's strange to think what would and could have happened had French not broken his arm, or if he carried the ball 30 times a game? In 2000, he was part of a magical team that had many outstanding backs who shared the ball. When French did get it, he exploded and no one could catch him. His first step and moves with or without defenders near him was second to none. He averaged 133 yards per game on 12 carries!

Playing in just 9 games as a senior, he had 119 rushes for 1,011 yards with 17 touchdowns, 18 in all. He led the team to a share of the Cape Ann League, was named the CAL, the Lowell Sun and the Boston Globe's Division 4 Player of the Year. He was a two-time Globe and CAL All-Conference selection and went on to be named to the Agganis and Shriners All-Star games, while serving as both team's captains and being named MVP of the AG.

The year before as a junior, he had almost 500 yards and 7 TDs.

14 JON NOLAN (1983): Mostly used as a fullback for his pal Olshaw, the 5-foot-10, 165-pounder was in elite compa-



ny in terms of athleticism on any field. A truly rare and special athlete, Nolan made everyone's lists who participated in this project.

Among his highlights included his junior year in 1981 when he scored three TDs in a 29-0 win over Gr. Lowell. The next year he had two TDs in a key win over Dracut.

He was selected to the MVC All-Conference team, was a two-time league all-star, was named to the Lowell Sun's All-Star team, was given the Fagan Award by the school, and was named as of the Sons of Italy Outstanding Athletes among the entire state.



15 ERNIE MELLO (2008): If this was a one-year recognition, Mello would be certainly among the top five of all-time, but his sophomore and junior years, he was behind an All-Scholastic in Richie Barry. Mello makes the jump over Barry in this case only because the one season puts him among the best the state has ever witnessed. Mello, however, certainly has the distinction of being one of the top all-time athletes this town has ever produced.

Mello finished his senior year with 29 touchdowns and 1,735 yards. He scored seven touchdowns in one game and broke Jack Bowen's long-time single game rushing record.



16 ERIC BANDA (2000): He graduated 18 years ago, and is still among my personal favorite athletes ever to cover. He excelled in three sports, but his truly calling was annihilating people on defense. Yet, offensively, his rugged-style enable him to just bury on-comers to the ground at will.

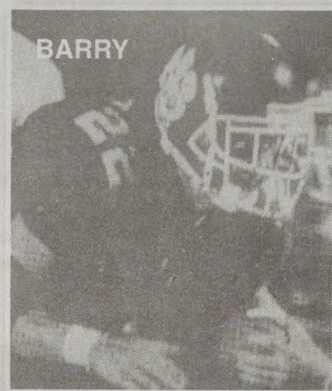
At 5-foot-10, 205 pounds, Banda finished the 1998 season with a respectable 660 rushing yards and 8 touchdowns. The next year he doubled that, rushing for over 1,000 yards, while scoring 16 touchdowns. He was the second in Division 4 Eastern Mass scoring. He had the memorable 235-yard, 3-touchdown performance against Lynnfield.

Banda was a three-time CAL All-Conference selection, a two-time Sun All-Star, was selected to the Agganis All-Star game, but more importantly he was a key figure in the team's first league title in 23 years.

17 RICH BARRY (2007): Barry instantly became a household name.

In 2005, he chalked up seven touchdowns and over 500 yards. Then in 2006, he was off the charts, finishing with 1,526 rushing yards on 233 carries, while, adding 9 catches for 143 yards and ending the season with 25 rushing TDs, one receiving TD, one conversion, for 153 points and was named an All-Scholastic for those accomplishments.

His performance against Tewksbury in 2005, with 231 yards and three touchdowns in a 20-7 victory, certainly can only be described as 'epic'.



18 PAUL FITCH (1974): Fitch was more known for his success in track and just being a superb all-around athlete, while he also was the lead blocker for a 1,000 yard rusher in Devlin. Yet despite all of that, Fitch still maintained a tremendous career of his own as a running back.

In 1972, he scored the team's first touchdown of the season and that helped propel the Wildcats to a 9-0 record and MVC Championship title, while being among the top ten scorers in the league.

The following year, he was again among the top scorers in the entire league, including a big 32-yard TD and the only score of the game in a big win over Austin Prep. He was selected to the MVC All-Conference team as a DB, but was also selected to the North-South All-Star game as a two-way starter.



19 BOB BAVOTA (1975): At 5-foot-10, 195-pounds, perhaps No. 33 was the most overlooked player when this project started, Bavota, a fullback, had some incredible performances, especially during his senior year. He had a 156-yard game vs Stoneham, 101 yards vs North Andover, 107 yards vs Lawrence, 121 yards with two scores against Billerica.

Along the way that season, he rushed for over 1,000 yards and also threw three halfback option touchdowns.

20 ROBERT GOSS (1950): The third member of the elite 1949 squad, Goss, a four-year starter, was a right halfback in the single-wing formation and was a contributor in the team's offensive juggernaut which scored 202 points on the season, while helping the 'Cats capture the Class D Lowell Suburban League Championship title.

Norman Birchall, a writer for the Lowell Sun, said at the time that "Bob Goss the

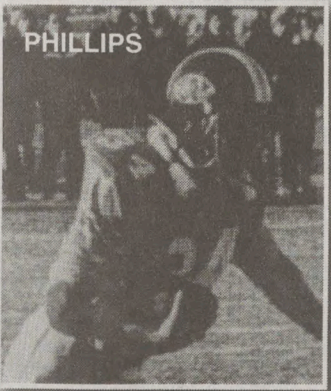
other holdover, and he operates from the right-half position. This had caused the opposition a lot of trouble (in 1948) and can really travel with the ball."



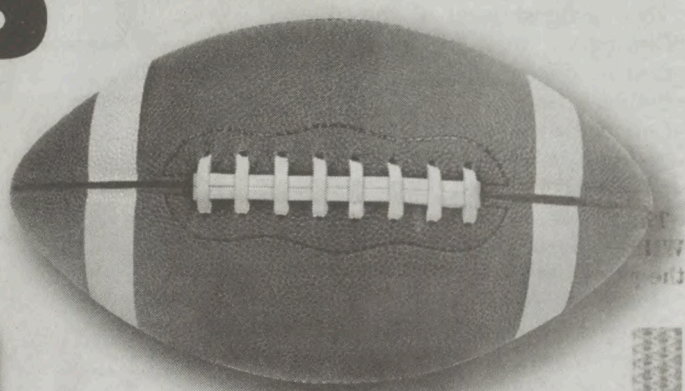
21 FRANK DEPIANO (1955): Truthfully, before this project started, I had never heard of DePiano and I know a few football historians didn't either. But after finding some things about him, you learn that he was quite the ballplayer. Despite his teams struggling for wins, he led the 1954 'Cats with seven touchdowns, while four others had one each. He also booted 5 PAT kicks. The Wildcats scored more than one touchdown in a game just twice that entire season. The team finished scoring 85 points and he had 47 of them.

Described as a speedster with great hands, DePiano finished the season as the fourth best running back in the entire state. He had big performances against Tewksbury (166) and North Andover (3 TDs).

The year before as a junior, he again led the team in scoring with five touchdown, again as the team struggled to win.



22 MATT PHILLIPS (1980): Another member who is more known for his skills in



another sport - in this case the javelin. Phillips, who is the youngest of ten children with seven siblings who also competed in track-and-field, was the primary back for the 'Cats in the late 1970s and he was certainly was a workhorse.

"Matty played a whale of a game," said Andover head coach Dick Collins. "But we just wore him down."

Phillips played everywhere on the field and never came off. He saw time at tailback, halfback and fullback, as well as linebacker defensively. At 5-foot-11, 185-pounds, Phillips had 80 or more rushing yards in four of his five games as a senior, including a 3-TD effort in a win over Greater Lowell, highlighted by Phillips' 80-yard kick-off



return score to open the game.

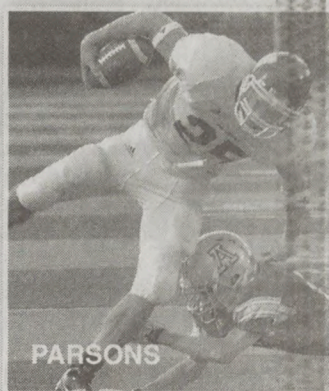
He too is a member of the WHS Hall of Fame.

23 ZACK MAYO (2005): Before the 2004 season came about, the previous time the 'Cats got into the playoffs was 1976, which was also the last team to finish undefeated during the regular season. That '04 team was explosive offensively and Mayo was right in the middle of all of it as an impact ball carrier.

As a junior, he finished that season as a with a team high 8 touchdowns and 554 yards, helping the team to a League Championship title and a playoff game against Hingham, a game he exited early with a hip flexor issue.

The following year, he finished with 96 points, rushing for just under 1,000 yards and scoring 14 touchdowns, as well as adding 126 receiving yards and another score.

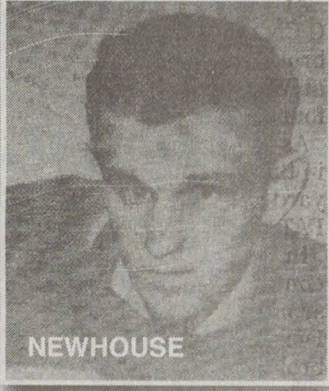
24 JOHN PARSONS (2012): Parsons was the first Wildcat RB to make a dent while



competing in the Middlesex League further on in his career.

In 2009 as a sophomore, he had 143 rushing yards and three scores in limited duties. The following year he bumped up his status and finished with over 600 yards and 6 scores.

Then in 2011, he finished with just under 1,300 yards from scrimmage, with 14



touchdowns, two receiving scores and totaled 102 points.

Throughout that season, he had 6-plus 100-yard games, including three games of over 200, in particular, 278 yards with a pair of scores vs Stoneham.

25 JIMMY NEWHOUSE (1965): Known for his ability to lower his shoulder and blow past people, Newhouse was described by one football historian as "by far, one of, if not the toughest kid to ever play at WHS."

A captain on the 1964 team, Newhouse was voted as the Most Valuable Back by the Boosters. He scored the game's only touchdown that year in a win over Dracut, and followed that up with a three-touchdown performance in a win over North Andover.

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Wilmington High School Sub-Varsity Sports male teams season recaps

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The youngest level of the Wilmington Football program produced some of the greatest success for the program this season, as the freshman squad battled its way to a 6-4 record despite losing several players to the varsity level during the course of the season.

Under the direction of second year coach Mark Gentile, the Wildcats showed plenty of promise for the future, both with their talent as well as their work ethic.

"We're a very competitive group. Practices are intense, as we get after it pretty good and the boys love trying to one-up each other," Gentile said. "I think that breeds a real positive environment as well as team camaraderie, which we definitely had. We got hit with the injury bug for the last two weeks of the season. We lost our starting cornerback and our starting left guard to injuries. But despite that, we were competitive in every game we played in."

The Wildcat s got their season off to a fast start, getting off to a 3-0 start, giving Gentile an indication of what type of team he had on his hands.

"We really rolled up on Shawsheen to begin the season. I was really impressed with the freshman class's skill set all throughout camp, but even I was surprised at how well we did in that opening game. We won that game 31-13, and it really set the tone for us early in the season," Gentile said. "We also played Wakefield in week three of the season, and we were up 24-0 at the half. We played our second unit for the entire second half and still controlled the line of scrimmage on both sides of the ball. I knew at that point that I was dealing with a pretty special group."

While the entire team proved themselves to be a talented, gritty group, several Wildcats stood out among the rest for their outstanding efforts this season, including many players who saw action at the varsity level.

"We've already had several of our freshmen contribute at the varsity level. Our varsity team has been hit with many injuries as well, which opened up opportunities for some of the younger boys," Gentile said.

Wide receiver John Germano caught a varsity touchdown for the Wildcats against Somerville, while John's brother Pedro Germano had a great season at running back and in the defensive secondary for the freshman squad. Marchello Misuraca has played some linebacker for the varsity squad, while Will Kenyon played with the varsity team on special teams and on the defensive line.

Gentile, who coached in the Billerica Pop Warner program for eleven years before coming to Wilmington, also saw great potential in several other players on the freshman squad.

"Dylan Brugger is everything you want in a quarterback, physically. He's tall and has a very strong arm. Gavin Erickson is a tremendous wideout and cornerback. We're very excited about our offensive linemen, primarily Jake Chirichello and Jack Malloy, who both play very tough and who we have big plans for going forward," Gentile said. "John Rhind did a great job at defensive end for us all season long. Brian Duggan, Ben Andrus, and Jake Warford were great at line-backer for us."

JV FOOTBALL

At the Junior Varsity level it is well understood that the most important thing for a team is not wins and losses, but rather preparing players to contribute the varsity level. That understanding was probably never more true than during this past season for the Wilmington High JV Football team.

The Wildcats got off to a terrific start to the season,



The WHS Freshman Football team includes front row from left: William Kenyon, Alphonse Gambale, William O'Shea, Jake Warford, Pedro Germano, Dylan Brugger, John Germano and Benjamin Andrus; second row from left: Jack Toomey, Jack Rooney, Luke Vitale, Keegan Gray, John Rhind and Jack Malloy; third row from left: Brady Robbins, Michael Sullivan, Adam LeBlanc, Nate Rebinskas, Gavin Erickson, Brian Duggan and Michael Lee; fourth row from left, Luke Murphy, Jack Chirichello, Michael Money, Adam Lopez, Nick Doyle Jack Anderson; and last row from left, Radolpho Sanchez, Bumi Oltalu and Marchello Misuraca. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com)

going 3-1 in their first four games, but as injuries began to decimate the Wildcats at the varsity level, many of the top players on the JV squad were called up to fill key positions on the varsity squad.

While that is certainly good news for the future, as many young players saw some valuable playing time at the varsity level, it proved to be bad news for the JV squad, as the Wildcats dropped the last five games of the season to finish their campaign 3-6.

While the final record was not exactly what they were looking for, head coach Jim Rita was pleased with what his team accomplished, especially considering the adversity they faced throughout the season.

"Our kids played hard and had a great attitude every day," Rita said. "I am very proud of them for sticking together and playing through a lot of adversity the second half of the year."

Rita felt that the experience his players gained this season, not only from playing in both varsity and JV games, but also by practicing with the varsity squad, will help them in future years.

"Our JV and freshmen who played for the team gathered valuable experience to enable them to be in a better position to succeed in the future," Rita said. "Most of these players get valuable reps on the scout team during the week. We ask them to simulate the looks that the upcoming opponent is going to give us. They are asked to do different things each week."

"The experience they get through this will help them in understanding different types of offenses and defenses they will be competing against. This is also a great evaluation/teaching format. They not only get hands on instruction, they also do film sessions to point out areas of improvement and need. We also try to find the best position fit for each player during this time."

The Wildcats had several players make their mark and show promise for the future this season, starting with junior running back Kyle Vallee was an offensive standout as well as sophomore wide receiver Peter DiAdamo. Other key skill players on the team were sophomore running backs Dylan Clerico and Colton Sullivan as well wide receivers Jon Pham, Nehemiah Camara, Drew and Derek Gallucci, David Woltag, Jacob Bernard and Garrett Moretto.

Defensively, freshman line-backer Marcello Misuraca was a bright spot with several big plays as well as junior defensive end RJ Cortana. Sophomores Tommy Baldi and Jimmy McCarron provided plenty of big hits out of their safety positions, while linebackers Nico Piazza, Brendan Ho, Keith McDonald and Shane Roberts were counted on to



The WHS JV Boys Soccer team includes front row from left, Jon Alvarez, Jonathan O'Connor, Thomas Morris, and Domenic Ardizzoni; second row from left, Matthew Pendenza, Liam Dwyer, John Gaglione, and Ryan Forcina; and back row from left, Cristopher Bernazani, Patrick Xavier, Samuel Juergens, Christopher Wong, Cal DiPesa, and Denizio Ricupero. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com)

make tackles all over the field.

The offensive line was anchored by juniors Nick Kane, Dave and Dan Ings, Nick Curdo and Reid Cote as well as sophomores Justin Doran Nick Sullivan and Eric Lingenfelter.

Rita also had words of praise for a large list of freshmen who contributed to the JV team and in his opinion have a bright and promising future with the Wildcats. Those freshmen included, John Rhind, Jake Chirichello, Jack Malloy, Jack Rooney, John and Pedro Germano, Dylan Brugger, Ben Andrus, Gavin Erickson, Jake Warford, Nate Rebinskas, Will Kenyon, Alfonso Gambale and Brian Duggan.

Rita is in his second year at Wilmington High, but has been on varsity head coach Craig Turner's staff for the past five years having been on his staff at Mystic Valley in the same role he has at Wilmington High, as the wide receiver and defensive backs coach.

Rita says it was a group effort at the JV level that helped the players continue to improve throughout the season.

"We were fortunate to have Wilmington resident Bob Donaghue (OL Coach) who was a team captain and graduate of Arlington Catholic and team captain at Framingham State. We also had Jordan Bolarinho as our quarterback coach, who was a team captain at Billerica High and played college at Plymouth State," Rita said. "The other varsity coaches were also present at all the JV games to not only lend support but coach and teach as well. Head coach Craig Turner, defensive coordinator Sean Turner, defensive line coach John Fortes, freshman coach Mark Gentile and special teams coach Charlie Turner were all there to help out. We have a very close knit staff that helps out and supports wherever needed."

Rita also knows that none of this would have been possible without some additional support.

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"I want to give a big thanks to all the parents who helped out on the chains as well as athletic director Tim Alberts for all his support," Rita said.

JV BOYS SOCCER

With a team loaded with sophomores and freshmen and featuring only three juniors and one senior, it was hard to predict just how things would go for the Wilmington High JV Boys Soccer team. And while their overall record did not turn out exactly as they would have liked, going 5-9-3 on the campaign, they did show steady improvement as the season went on, with many of the young players gaining valuable experience which should help both the players and the Wilmington soccer program in the future.

Wildcats JV coach Dennis Ingram, a Wilmington High Hall of Famer after playing soccer under the direction of Dick Scanlon, was happy with the effort he saw from his team throughout the season.

"I feel as if the team improved as the season progressed. The boys worked hard the whole season and were great to work with," Ingram said. "All of the boys are great kids, and hopefully they take the next step and work hard on their skills to become varsity players next year."

Of the Wildcats five wins, they had a couple of big ones, but none were bigger than a 2-0 win over Winchester, where the Wildcats came out on top against one of the best teams in the Middlesex League.

"Winchester was loaded with talent. They were very good at every spot on the field. They also had almost 30 kids on the team," Ingram said. "We scored two goals on dead balls and completed frustrated them the whole game. It was by far the best game our team played all season long. Keeper Liam Dwyer played outstanding. Pressure was

on him the whole game and he must have had 15 saves."

Offensively the Wildcats were led by a pair of sophomore strikers in Matt Pendenza and Cal DiPesa. Pendenza led the team with eight goals and two assists, while DiPesa had six goals on the season.

"On the defensive side of ball (freshman) Liam Dwyer had a fantastic season in the net," Ingram said. "Liam made many outstanding saves during the season. He kept us in some games against some of the large schools who were loaded with talent."

Ingram, who has also coached the Wildcats JV Baseball team for the past five years and has been the head coach of the varsity basketball coach for three years, says he truly enjoyed being around this group of players and is also grateful to be a part of the Wilmington High Soccer program.

"I feel very lucky to coach under Steve Scanlon. He is a great coach and I learn so much from him," Ingram said. "It is also special because I got to play for his father."

In addition to the players mentioned above, other members of the Boys JV Soccer team were sophomores Denizio Ricupero, Christopher Wong, Ryan Forcina, Christopher Bernazani, John Gaglione, Patrick Xavier and Samuel Juergens, juniors Jonathan O'Connor, Thomas Morris, and Domenic Ardizzoni and senior Jon Alvarez.

FRESHMAN BOYS SOCCER

The Wilmington High Freshman Boys Soccer team also struggled in terms of wins and losses, posting a 3-9-4 record on the season, but much like their JV counterparts, the Wildcats gained some valuable experience throughout the season, which should benefit them in the future.

Wilmington coach Colin Foley, who is in his fifth season coaching the freshman

squad, felt that the team gave him everything they had this season, which bodes well for the future of the program.

"I thought we battled every game. Playing in the Middlesex League there is no easy season and every game you have to grind to get some bounces and finish your opportunities when you have them," said Foley, who played both soccer and hockey for Steve Scanlon at Wilmington High. "I had a good group of players who were enthusiastic about the game, practiced hard, and played hard. The results didn't always show that but they gave effort every time they were on the soccer field. It was a very coachable group. As the season went on they improved game from game. At the sub-varsity level we stress the importance of development and less about wins and losses, more on getting better each day."

As evidence of the Wildcats improvement throughout the season, one of their best games of the season came in their second to last game, an impressive 3-1 win over Stoneham in a home game.

"It was just overall well balanced game from top to bottom," Foley said. "We were strong from our goalie, to our defenders, to our midfield, and to our strikers."

That total team effort was evident all season long, regardless of wins and losses, and several players stood out with their outstanding performances, including midfielders Anay Gandhi and Christian O'Neal, each of whom filled multiple roles for the Wildcats this season.

"Anay can play any position on the field. He is a versatile player and an unselfish player as well. Anay is smart with the ball at his foot and has the ability to make great passes to the strikers," Foley said. "Christian is a very versatile player. He has great speed, sees the game very well with a high soccer IQ and is a tough player who is not

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afraid to challenge for the ball. He can send a ball up as well as beat kids one on one."

Defender Edward Recupero and forwards William Stuart and Jao Tetra were three more players who emerged as potential future stars this season.

Edward played defense and was a rock back there for us. He has good size, challenges for the ball and uses physical presence to make defensive plays," Foley said. "William has great breakaway speed, has a good shot, and is an unselfish player who knows when it's time to hit a ball, and when to pass it. Jao has good foot skills, has a good shot, and works really hard and has a nose for the net."

The Wildcats last line of defense, Joey Cornish also showed signs of a promising future with his performance this season.

"Joey played goalie for us this year and really stepped up," Foley said. "He practiced hard every day and worked on his craft. Joey also played out one game and he scored."

In addition to the players mentioned above, other members of the Wildcats Boys Freshman Soccer team included Brian DeOliveira, Joseph DeMoura, Adrian Trotta, Victor Che, Nicholas DiNatale, Jaoa Pedro Terra, Evan Shackelford, David Souto, Brad DeAmbrose and Jake Estrada.



The WHS Freshman Boys Soccer team includes: bottom row from left, Nicholas DiNatale, Brett DeAmbrose, Christian O'Neal and Victor Che; middle row from left, Jake Estrada, Joseph DeMoura, William Stewart, Brian DeOliveira and Evan Shackelford; and back row from left, Edward Ricupero, Joseph Cornish, Anay Gandhi, David Souto and Adrian Trotta. Missing from photo: Jaoa Terra. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com).

Wilmington Pee Wee 2's defeated by Jr. Railers

The Wildcats PeeWee 2 hockey team (4-1-1) traveled to the Chelmsford Forum Sunday morning to face off with a 2-1-3 Jr. Railers (2-1-3) squad looking to keep pace in the two team's South National division.

Wilmington came into the contest winners of two straight and sitting alone in second place in the division.

The opening period was full of neutral zone battles as the two teams did their best to feel one another out. It would be the Railers strik-

ing first after an almost full three-minute stretch in the Wildcats zone.

The 'Cats defensive pairings of Corinne Foley with Nicholas DiGiovanni and Connor Lynch alongside Derek Sun did their best to weather the Railer's storm, eventually creating a long rush early in the second period by forward Matthew Newhouse off a feed from Derek Sun. Newhouse barreled his way across mid-ice all the way to the Railers goal before chipping a per-

fect pass to Ryan Flynn out front for the finish. The game was tied at 1-1 at 2:11 of the second period and the 'Cats were back in business.

Wilmington forwards Aaden Caralis, Devin Medeiros and Ryan Weinstein made plays all over the ice, while the second line of Newhouse, Flynn, and Jake Carr played hard throughout. It just wouldn't be enough as the Railers added a third period goal to make it 3-1, and an empty-netter in the final

minute to give us a 4-1 score on the day.

Goaltender Dylan Ward made 12 stops, at one point stoning a speedy Railer on a breakaway to keep the Wildcats in it, but Coach Todd Flynn's squad just didn't have an answer for the Jr. Railers attack.

Dylan Ward's performance in net, Connor Lynch confidently carrying the puck out of his zone multiple times to create offensive opportunities and winger Matty Newhouse's mindfulness,

strong hands, and effort all stood out as positives though as the Wildcats move forward in this still-young season.

A full weekend of hockey awaits the Wildcats starting this Saturday at 4:10pm in Tewksbury and again on Sunday at 7:10am in Burlington with games against the 1-4-2 Avalanche and the 3-2-1 Wizards respectively.

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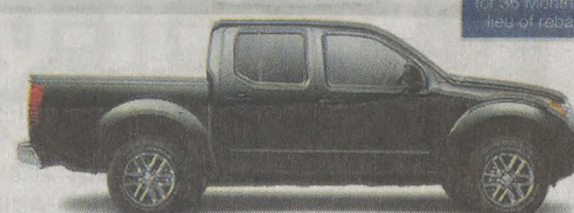
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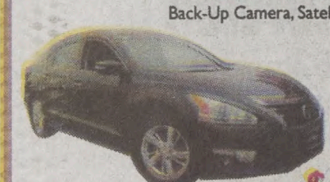
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